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CHRISTMAS IN HANCOCK: HOLIDAY EVENTS KEEP ON ROLLING



PHOTOS BY GEOFF BELCHER | SEA COAST ECHO
Last weekend, the annual Kiln Horse Parade rolled through Kiln, wrapping up at the Kiln VFW, where Santa visited with the children.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
PUBLISHER

The holiday events keep on happening in Hancock County as the days count down toward Christmas, including festivals and parades in Waveland and Diamondhead, and the all-new “Santa Stroll” coming up this weekend in Bay St. Louis.

This past Saturday, a cheerful crowd braved the rain for the annual Kiln Horse Parade, as Santa drove by in a horse-drawn covered wagon en route to the VFW Hall, where he handed out presents to deserving children.

The Hancock County Library System kicked off its 30th annual Holiday Tree Celebration at the Bay St. Louis branch on Sunday, and continued the festivities on Tuesday in Pearlington. The fun will continue today, Thursday, Dec. 12, as the Waveland branch hosts its Holiday Tree Celebration from 6-7:30

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Hancock Youth Court Awarded \$2M grant



PHOTO BY GEOFF BELCHER | SEA COAST ECHO
From left, Recovery Specialist Cecile Tebo; Hancock County Judge Trent Favre; Julie Miller from Congressman Mike Ezell’s office; April Johnson, peer support; Sarah Johnson, coordinator; and Karen Warburton, drug testing specialist.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
PUBLISHER

Hancock County Court Judge Trent Favre announced last week the Hancock Youth Court has been awarded a \$2 million grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).
“We obtained a \$2 million grant to be spent over five years,” Favre said in a brief ceremony last Friday at the

youth court courtroom. “The purpose of the grant to enhance the existing programs that we have,” such as the current family treatment court and substance abuse treatment.
The grant was part of the Biden-Harris Administration’s \$81.3 million to the President’s Unity Agen-

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Former DH councilman charged with misdemeanor ‘stalking’

ECHO STAFF

Officers of the Waveland Police Department on Monday arrested a former Diamondhead elected official for allegedly “stalking” an employee at a local business.
On Monday, “the Waveland Police Department served a warrant on Alan Joseph Moran,” Chief Michael Prendergast said in a press release. “The warrant was for stalking,” a misdemeanor charge.
“The warrant stems from an incident that occurred at Lowes in Waveland,” Prendergast said. A male employee at Lowes “was approached by Mr.



Alan Moran

Moran on more than one occasion. Mr. Moran made the employee uncomfortable with explicit conversations he was telling the victim. The victim came to the Waveland

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55°

Low Temperature 42°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 62%
High Tide
09:18 pm @ 1.9 ft
Low Tide
08:00 am @ -0.49 ft

Dec. 13
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Low Temperature 43°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 66%
High Tide
09:57 pm @ 2.1 ft
Low Tide
08:42 am @ -0.72 ft

Dec. 14
61°

Low Temperature 45°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 76%
High Tide
10:41 pm @ 2.17 ft
Low Tide
09:30 am @ -0.82 ft

Dec. 15
64°

Low Temperature 50°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 83%
High Tide
11:26 pm @ 2.13 ft
Low Tide
10:20 am @ -0.85 ft

Dec. 16
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Low Temperature 52°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 82%
High Tide
11:11 am @ -0.79 ft
Low Tide

Dec. 17
60°

Low Temperature 47°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 76%
High Tide
12:11 am @ 2.03 ft
Low Tide
12:01 pm @ -0.66 ft

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BWSD recognizes its Teachers of the Year

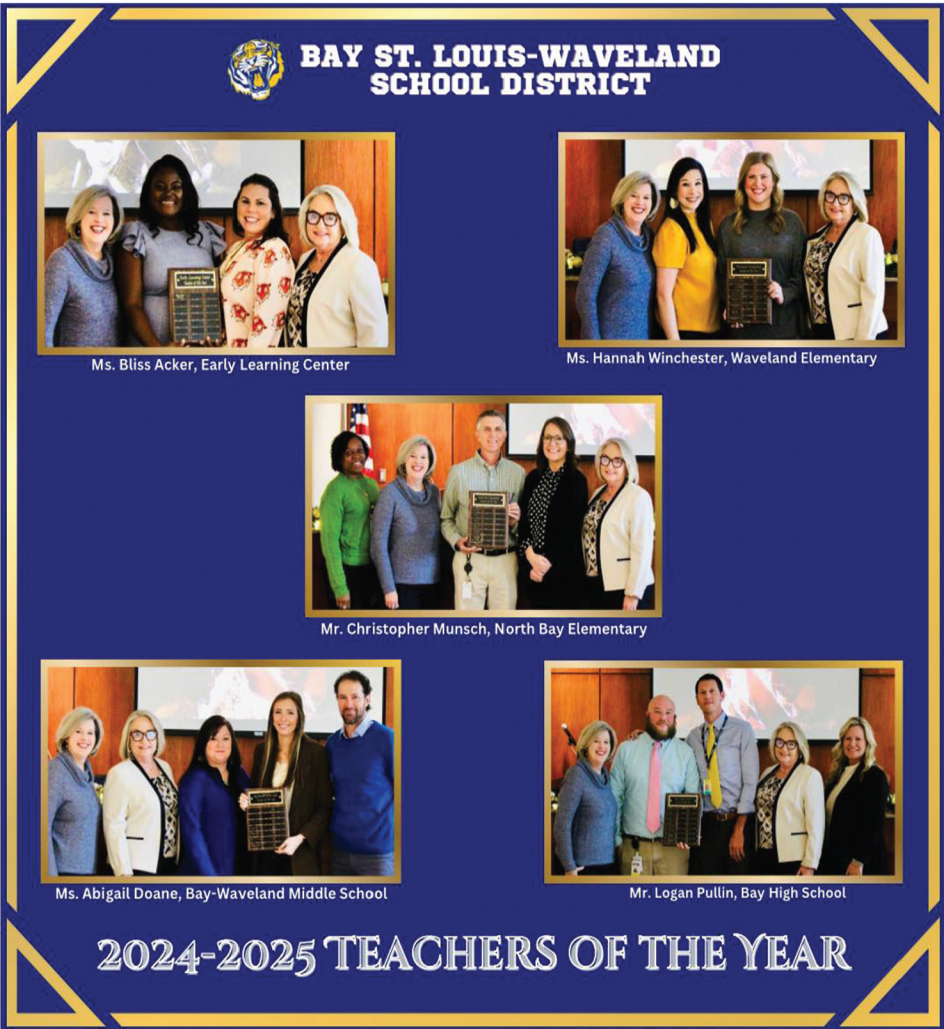


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ECHO STAFF

The Bay-Waveland School District last week hosted its annual Teacher of the Year Luncheon “to celebrate the outstanding educators across our district who go above and beyond for our students every day,” Superintendent Dr. Sandra Reed said in a social media post.

This year’s Teachers of the Year included:

- Bliss Acker, Early Learning Center
- Hannah Winchester, Waveland Elementary
- Christopher Munsch, North Bay Elementary
- Abigail Doane, Bay-Waveland Middle School

• Logan Pullin, Bay High School.

“These remarkable individuals have made an incredible impact in our schools and community, and we couldn’t be prouder to celebrate their achievements,” Reed said.

Munsch was named the District’s overall Teacher of the Year.

“Your passion, dedication and impact on our students and community set you apart as a true leader in education,” Reed said.

The district also recognized the Parent of the Year, Rachel Knight, “whose unwavering support and commitment have been instrumental in strengthening our schools,” Reed said. “Your efforts do not go unnoticed, and we are grateful for all you do for Tiger Nation.”

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Bay council races already heating up

BY GEOFF BELCHER
PUBLISHER

Qualifying for the upcoming municipal elections in Bay St. Louis and Diamondhead hasn’t even begun yet, but there are already some big changes in store for next year, at least on the Bay council — long-time Ward 1 Councilman Doug Seal has announced he will not be running again; and Councilman-at-Large Gary Knoblock announced last week he will vacate his seat to run for mayor.

“To the residents of Bay St Louis, the time has come for me to step back and focus on myself and my family,” Seal said in a statement to the Echo. “The past 24 years have been nothing short of amazing for Ward One and the City of Bay St Louis. We’ve seen many

trials and achieved many triumphs.

“After the passing of our Cayce, we as a family have struggled and we have learned to lean on our faith in God and accept what he has in store for us. At one point I thought it was in the cards for me to throw my hat in the ring for Mayor but God has other plans for me right now.

“I appreciate all of the confidence everyone has shown throughout my political career and look forward to what lies ahead for myself and my family. Many blessings to all and let’s keep Bay St Louis a place to come home to and ‘A Place Apart.’”

Knoblock announced his candidacy for the mayor’s office last week on social media.

“I will be seeking the office of mayor for the upcoming term and declare the councilman-at-large

seat open,” Knoblock said in a statement to the Echo. “For the last 15.5 years, I have served faithfully and diligently, first as a Planning and Zoning commissioner/president, and as councilman-at-large in 2017 to the present. Always a fiscal conservative who consistently fights tax increases, and I fought to roll back the millage when the value of the mil greatly increased. It will be my goal to use my 30-plus years of business experience to improve the efficiency of all city services, to enforce ordinances consistently and to preserve the peace and harmony of this city.”

Former Ward 4 Councilman Larry Smith announced in November he would be running for Knoblock’s councilman-at-large seat. Others who have announced — but not yet qualified — include Jordan Brad-

ford, running for Seal’s open Ward 1 seat; Phalba Holmes, running for Ward 3; and Our Lady of the Gulf Crab Fest organizer Jimmy Osbourne, running for the Ward 4 seat.

The current city elected official line-up includes Mayor Mike Favre, Councilman-at-Large Gary Knoblock, Ward 1 Councilman Doug Seal, Ward 2 Councilman Gene Hoffman, Ward 3 Councilman Jeffrey Reed, Ward 4 Councilman Kyle Lewis, Ward 5 Councilwoman Linda Kay Davis, and Ward 6 Councilman Josh DeSalvo.

The current Diamondhead elected official line-up includes Mayor Nancy Depreo, Councilman-at-Large Gerard Maher, Ward 1 Councilman Shane Finley, Ward 2 Councilwoman Anna Liese, Ward 3 Councilman John Cumberland

and Ward 4 Councilman Austin Clark.

The election cycle for the 2025 Mississippi municipal elections begins Jan. 1, 2025, in Bay St. Louis and Diamondhead, which marks the beginning of the qualifying period for candidates for mayor and city council. The qualifying deadline is Jan. 31. The primary elections will be held April 1, and the general elections are scheduled for June 3.

What, When and Where to File:

Qualifying as a Candidate for Party Nomination:

1) Qualifying Statement of Intent for a Candidate for Party Nomination and qualifying fee in the amount of ten dollars

made payable to the appropriate Municipal Party Executive Committee must be filed with the Municipal Clerk’s Office no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, January 31, 2025.

2) Statement of Economic Interest within 15 days of qualifying with the Mississippi Ethics Commission, (601) 359-1285.

3) Required Campaign Finance Disclosure Reports filed with the Municipal Clerk’s Office by 5 p.m. on the applicable deadline(s). -Campaign Finance Disclosure Reporting Forms are provided by the Municipal Clerk to candidates upon qualifying.

Waveland approves short-term rental applications

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Last week, the Waveland Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved several short-term rental applications. The city’s short-term rental ordinance went into effect on June 22 and the city started accepting applications on Aug. 1.

Waveland Mayor Jay Trapani said there are currently about 28 short-term rentals registered,

with a deadline of Dec. 15 to register.

“We started a project to try and move people along,” Trapani said. “We’re sending emails out to people on VBRBO and AirBNB.”

Failure to register, Trapani said, will result in a pretty “hefty fine” and a “suspension of their ability to rent for a year.”

Trapani said the notice to register short-term rentals has appeared on residents’ water bills,

as well as posted on the city’s Facebook page.

Trapani said that he believes the number registered is less than half.

The properties approved last week, which meet ordinance requirements, are:

805 N. Beach Blvd.
1801 A Arnold St.
138 Hartsie Dr.
530 Meadow Lane
410 S. Beach Blvd.
125 Aiken Rd.
119 Lakeside Dr.
204 Venus St.
710 Nicholson Ave.

507 St. Jude St.
502 Taylor Trail

In other action:

The board voted to adjudicate the properties at 4178 Gulf St. and 209 Hwy.90 as menaces to the public health, safety, and welfare of the community.

The next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 18 at 6:30 p.m.

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We will always love and miss you "My Boy".
Until we meet again.

Mom & Mr. August, Buck & family,
Courtney & family and Brie Brie

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Ap.m.; and next Tuesday, Dec. 17 the Kiln branch will do the same from 6-7:30 p.m.; and the East Hancock/Diamondhead Branch will host its celebration on Thursday, Dec. 19.

Coming up next:

- On Friday, Dec. 13, from 5-8 p.m., the city of Waveland will host “Christmas on Coleman,” with food trucks from 5-8 p.m.; a parade at 6 p.m.; caroling; and a visit with Santa. All golf carts, antique cars and marching groups are invited to participate in the parade, and there will be no entry fee. The parade will begin at Central Ave., head east to Mollere Drive; turn down Mollere to Beach Boulevard; from the Beach to Coleman Avenue, ending at the Town Green.
- The annual Kiln Fire Truck Parade is scheduled to roll this Saturday, Dec. 14, beginning at noon. Fire trucks will parade through the Kiln on the way to meet Santa, starting at Bobinger Rd. and Old Kiln Picayune Rd., heading to Old Joe Moran Rd., where it turns left and heads to Cuevas Rd, crosses on to Hwy. 43 and heads to the storm shelter. Santa will be at the shelter to meet with the children. The public is invited to participate. To enter a float, call 228-493-5666.
- Saturday, Dec. 14 — 100 Men Hall, located at 303 Union St. in Bay St. Louis, will offer “A

Soulful Christmas, with selfies and breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus from 9 a.m.-noon. The event is for all ages, but all children must be accompanied by an adult.

- The city of Diamondhead will host its annual Christmas on Town Green on Saturday, Dec. 14, from 4-7:30 p.m., with a Christmas parade from The Club at Diamondhead to the Diamondhead Town Green at 5000 Diamondhead Circle. Santa and Mrs. Claus will mingle and take photos with children, and there will be a train; photo booth; free hot chocolate, popcorn, hot dogs and more; plus face-painting and a “Letters to Santa” booth.
- Also on Saturday, Dec. 14, Infinity Science Center, located at 1 Discovery Circle in Pearlinton, will host Gingerbread House Engineering from 10 a.m.-noon.
- And also this Saturday, Dec. 14, the city of Bay St. Louis will host its first-ever “Santa Stroll,” in conjunction with the Old Town Merchants Association’s monthly Second Saturday Artwalk.

“The Santa Stroll is a festive event designed to draw more visitors to Old Town during the Christmas shopping season, Mayor Mike Favre said. “The idea began when the City of Bay St. Louis contacted the Old Town Merchants Association, asking a few local businesses to host holiday-themed contests. The response exceeded expectations, with shops

and restaurants excited to participate and help bring the event to life.”

The Santa Stroll will include a wide range of contests starting at 11 a.m. at Ms. Mary’s Old Town Snoballs for the “group” contest. At 11:30 a.m., Century Hall will host the “Ho! Ho! Ho!” Contest. At noon, Popcorn Plus on Court Street will host the Best Kid Santa Hat and Best Kid Christmas Character contests. At 12:30 p.m., Shoe Boutique will host the Santa Boot/Elf Shoe contest. At 1 p.m., Dan B’s will host the Best Santa contest. At 1:30 p.m., The Boutique will host the Best Mrs. Claus contest. At 2 p.m., Rags to Riches will host the Best Adult Christmas Character contest.

“There are prizes for everyone,” Favre said. “We look forward to sending everyone to Old Town Bay St Louis to join the fun, support local businesses, and get into the holiday spirit.”

- On Thursday, Dec. 19, the Hancock County Community Committee will host “Elves in the Park” from 6-8 p.m. in McLeod Park in Kiln. The event is free, and will include a visit with Santa and free digital picture with him; plus cookies and hot chocolate. M.A.P. will also perform.

If you’d like to include your holiday event in our weekly calendar, please e-mail the information to Geoff Belcher at gbelcher@seacoastecho.com.



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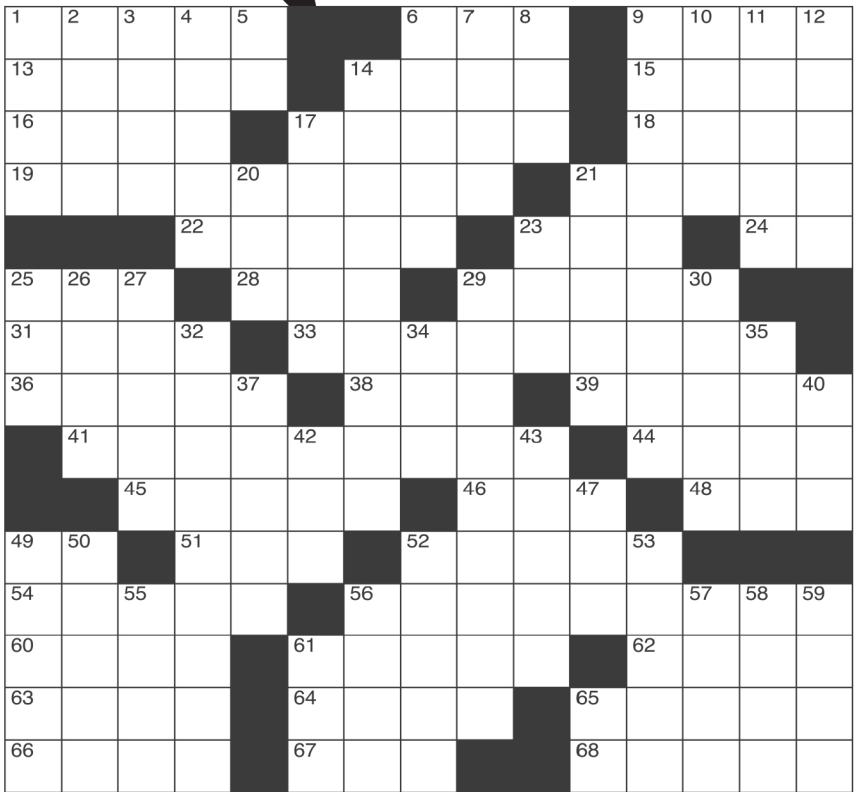


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- Brainstem part
- Town in New York state
- Little (Spanish)
- Continent
- Retch
- Short-billed rails
- Small period of time (abbr.)
- Confused
- A team needs one
- Woman in ancient times
- Republican Party
- Spanish be
- “The Godfather” character Johnny
- Not around
- City in Zambia
- A type of beginning
- Numb
- Gurus

- Small, gray-headed crow
- Vehicle type
- Disorders
- One point east of southeast
- Indian soldier
- Tree type
- Midway between south and southeast
- It cools your home
- Corn comes on it
- Ship’s deck
- A way to bake
- Improvised
- Butterfly genus
- Baseball fields have them
- Designated space
- Discharge
- Two of something
- Once more
- Part of your face
- Tax collector
- Cassia tree

CLUES DOWN

- One-time Aaron Rodgers target
- Wings
- Overly studious person
- They protect your valuables
- The Volunteer State
- Non-hydraulic cement
- Horse mackerel
- Jackson and Diddley are two
- Splendid displays
- Mountain in NE Greece
- A daughter or your brother or sister
- German surname
- Having more than one husband at a time
- Romanian city
- Energy
- Makes less hot
- Gas diffusion electrode
- Former CIA
- Set an example for others
- Support of a particular person

- One from the Big Apple
- Mountain range
- Violate the sanctity of something
- Supervises flying
- Talks
- Persian male given name
- Born of
- Forcibly take one’s possessions
- Discounts
- Knockouts
- Posh Colorado destination
- Form of therapy
- British rock band
- Type of virus (abbr.)
- The U. of Miami mascot is one
- Volcanic crater
- Middle Eastern nation
- Sinn __, Irish organization
- Ethiopian lake
- Bits per inch (abbr.)
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Level: Intermediate

TRIVIA QUESTIONS

- In total, how many gifts were given in the “Twelve Days of Christmas”?
- What is the official Christmas flower in North America?
- In what year did Christmas officially become a national holiday?
- What country is credited with starting the Christmas tree tradition in the 16th century?
- What beverage company has used Santa Claus in its Christmas marketing since 1931?

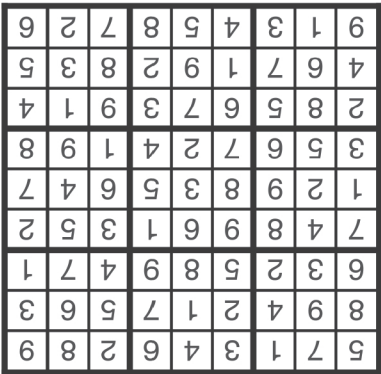
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MAGICAL
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- TRIVIA ANSWERS
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 - In 1870,
 - Germany
 - Coca-Cola



Opinion

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THE GIFT OF LIFE

Sometimes I have a hard time stepping away from the daily grind of work and life to ensure I’m enjoying the moments I won’t be able to get back. However, I’m learning to do just that, which is why I took last Friday off to take my dad to his holiday party at the Ochsner Transplant Institute in New Orleans.

It’s an annual event for transplant recipients, donors, their families, and the transplant team. It’s been five years since my dad’s kidney transplant and Friday was the first time I was able to attend the event with him.

It had been a while since I stepped foot on Ochsner’s campus, but the memories flood my brain every time I pull the car into the always packed parking garage.

I’ve said it before, but Ochsner’s main campus on Jefferson Highway, is like a mini-town when you walk in. There’s a PJ’s Coffee stand, a cafeteria with pretty good food, a pharmacy, a gift shop, and a piano where people often stop and play.

I spent a lot of time there, pacing the floors during dad’s transplant surgery, and the recovery after, while he stayed in the nearby apartments.

Side note: I also spent a lot of time driving down Jefferson Highway to partake in some good food from Dot’s Diner, Bud’s Broiler, and it is always a must to stop by Haydel’s Bakery to grab the most-coveted sugar cookies, along with other goodies they have to offer.

We also stopped last Friday and picked up a Cringle, which is just full of pecan praline goodness. I highly recommend checking those out.

Upon entering the party, dad was given a name tag, which had a “K” on it to signify a kidney transplant.

I saw many people there who have had heart, lung, liver, and kidney transplants.

We even met a young lady who had a liver transplant when she was four years old. She is now 25.

I was also pleasantly surprised to see familiar faces from Hancock County, who are also the beneficiaries of the gift of life.

From beginning to end, the whole transplant experience has been an eye-opening and inspiring one. It’s hard to hold in the tears when you hear someone else’s story about how a transplant changed



STAFF COLUMN
BY CASSANDRA FAVRE

Hancock History: Judah P. Benjamin

Judah Philip Benjamin (1811-1889) was born in the British West Indies (aka US Virgin Islands) into a Jewish family that migrated to Charleston, South Carolina when he was ten years old. His uncommon intelligence was recognized as a child and he received a good education.

Judah attended Yale College. In 1829 he moved to New Orleans and became a clerk in a law firm and was admitted to the bar at age twenty-one. He married Natalie St. Martin at that time.

The marriage was never a success.

New Orleans was a city that was a land of opportunity for businessmen and lawyers in this time frame. It had become the fourth largest port in the United States. Judah specialized in commercial law and was an expert on appeals. Some of the best lawyers in the country practiced in New Orleans because it was a center of international commerce and the domestic slave trade. Big bucks for big lawsuits and big legal fees.

In 1842, Judah was elected into the Louisiana House of Representatives. He became quite wealthy from his law practice and bought a sugar cane plantation with 140 slaves called “Bellechasse.” Judah was no planter, but if he wanted the planter class of Louisiana to elect him to higher office, he had to own substantial land and slaves to gain their trust. This strategy succeeded and in 1853 he was elected

to the US Senate.

In Washington DC he met the Senator from Mississippi, Jefferson Davis. A significant bond grew between these two charismatic titans in antebellum Washington. This bond would be significant for future events. Judah did not expect to manage on his government salary, but Washington DC was a gold mine full of rich clients needing a brilliant attorney who could provide legal representation to the highest court in the country. Judah spent his time and energy being an advocate before the Supreme Court. He won 13 of his first 18 cases.

Judah supported the position of the Southern states that the Union was a compact by the states from which any of them could secede. He



HANCOCK HISTORY
BY JAMES KEATING M.D.

did hope war could be averted. Nevertheless, the Southern states did secede from the union and formed the Confederate States of America electing Jefferson Davis its President. Davis appointed Judah Attorney General.

Remarking that Judah “had a very high

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Conservation Corner: Consider Appreciated Assets When Making Donations

Are you considering a gift to Wildlife Mississippi? If so, think about how your gift can benefit you as well. Here are some tips that Laura Saunders, a senior editor of Forbes magazine, has provided Wildlife Mississippi.

According to Saunders, “If you want to make a gift during your lifetime, consider donating appreciated assets, such as stock, land, or other assets that have significantly increased in value since the time you purchased them. In fact, you might want to consider giving it before you give cash.” To see why, Forbes’ Senior Editor has provided Wildlife Mississippi a comparison of the tax benefits for several different types of gifts that are worth \$100.

If you write a \$100 check to a charity, you get a tax deduction for \$100.

Saunders states that if you sell a share of

stock worth \$100 today that you bought years ago for \$20 you will owe as much as \$16 of capital gains tax on the sale. You could then donate the remaining \$84 to charity and get a tax deduction of \$84.

However, if you choose, you can also donate the share of stock worth \$100 to the charity. In this case, Congress has decided that you get the full \$100 deduction for the gift, even though the stock is worth only \$84 to you after-tax.

Saunders tells us that almost any asset can be donated. It’s easy to give away shares of publicly traded stocks. In fact, all you need to do is call your broker and inform him or her that you want to donate the stock and where it should go.

On the other hand, if you want to leave a legacy after death, experts say that the most “tax efficient” way to do it is with an Individual Retirement Account (IRA).

Many people now have very large IRAs, thanks to rollovers from pension plans and the long bull market. Yet all IRA assets are subject to income taxes at death, or shortly afterwards, and, if the estate is taxable, it is subject to estate taxes too. This means that IRAs face taxes as high as 70%. Yet, if the IRA goes to charity, the tax is not owed.

IRA owners can subdivide their accounts. Therefore, if a taxpayer had a \$500,000 IRA, he or she could split off, say, \$10,000 of it into a separate account that names Wildlife Mississippi as the beneficiary. And mandatory distributions for those over 72 can come from any “pot.” This means that if a withdrawal of \$25,000 from the total IRAs listed above is needed, it could all come from the \$490,000 “pot.”

The rules about



GUEST COLUMN
BY JAMES L. CUMMINS

charitable giving can be tricky. If you want to make a large gift to Wildlife Mississippi, run it by a tax expert or a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) who can help you to perform a good deed and do well at the same time.

James L. Cummins is executive director of Wildlife Mississippi, a nonprofit conservation organization founded to conserve, restore, and enhance fish, wildlife, and plant resources throughout Mississippi. Their web site is www.wildlifemiss.org.

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Jason D. Roche, 44, contempt of court failure to appear
Prince A. McNeely III, 43, contempt of court failure to appear
Ashley M. Parker, 34, contempt of court failure to appear
Joel C. Tirey, 43, simple assault
Melton E. Lewis, 57, credit card: fraudulent use w/Internet to obtain money, etc.
Tiffany N. Tegethoff, 43, felony possession of controlled substance
Daniel J. Alley, 58, contempt failure to appear; contempt failure to pay
Kayla R. Marroy, 22, contempt failure to appear
John W. Zambrowski, 56, trespassing; malicious mischief
Belinda L. Draughon, 32, evasion, failure to stop a motor vehicle; fel-

ony possession of controlled substance
Tony R. Parker, 48, contempt failure to appear
Kalisha A. Johnson, 26, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
James C. Caldwell, 59, simple assault
Tammie J. Tague, 62, possession of paraphernalia
Guilo S. Thames, 28, contempt failure to appear
Haley S. Carter, 27, contempt failure to appear
Johnny L. Wyatt, 57, no drivers license or expired
Denton P. Ladner, 42, contempt of court failure to appear
Tavarius J. Marshall, 32, shoplifting
Michael S. Douglas, 37, DUI; evasion, failure to stop a motor vehicle; motor vehicle: obedience of official traffic control devices by emergency vehicles
Brandon L. Lacoste, 42, careless driving; no drivers license or expired; DUI
Timothy J. Wortmann,

39, shoplifting
Jeffery R. Bryant, 49, contempt failure to appear x 2
Christopher D. Yarbrough, 32, DUI
Daniel J. Carver, 47, possession of paraphernalia; contempt failure to appear
Ammie G. Dixon, 39, contempt of court failure to appear
Brandon P. Dawson, 39, felony possession of controlled substance; contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Zachary M. McLemore, 31, contempt failure to appear
Ashley M. Dunhurst, 37, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Don J. Coe, 38, larceny felony taking of a vehicle; malicious mischief
William B. Fithian, 26, contempt of court failure to appear
Troy J. Vaszil, 62, contempt of court failure to appear
Angelina Novakov, 37, DUI
Brantley J. Ladner, 33, hold for other agency x 2
Ashley L. Clark, 38,

contempt of court failure to appear
Darrel W. Smith, 55, felony possession of controlled substance; contempt of court failure to appear
Wayne C. Imbornone, 59, contempt of court failure to appear
Joshua C. Johnson, 34, possession of a controlled substance; tampering with physical evidence; contempt of court failure to appear
Treyvone D. Young, 28, contempt of court failure to appear
Jeffrey R. Krotser, 28, disorderly conduct; drunkenness/profanity in public place; resisting/obstructing arrest
James R. Bender, 46, DUI; contempt of court failure to appear
Ryan E. Newman, 34, DUI; possession of marijuana (1-30 grams)
Rebecca A. Kapp, 38, contempt of court failure to appear
Kevin D. Boudreaux, 52, contempt of court failure to appear
Connie L. Hoda, 48, contempt of court failure to appear

CHARGED

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Police Department and signed charges on Mr. Moran.”
Once officers transported Moran to the Hancock County Justice Facility, an additional MDOC warrant was served on him for violation of probation.
Moran, 37, of Kiln, formerly served as a Diamondhead City Council member.
He was arrested in February 2022 on one misdemeanor count of simple assault, and one count of contributing to the delinquency of a child for allegedly “touch-

ing” and buying alcohol for a 17-year-old boy. In March 2022, the alleged victim’s family filed a lawsuit against Moran in the case, seeking unspecified damages.
Moran resigned from the city council, stating in a letter to the council that “In light of the current groundless allegations, I feel that this could and would become a distraction in my ability to represent and serve the citizens and the city of Diamondhead, therefore I will resign as Ward 2 councilman, effective immediately.”
Moran was indicted on additional charges related to the incident in March 2023, including touching a child for lustful purposes and transmitting sexually

explicit material to a minor.
In February of this year, Moran pled guilty to one count of exploitation/solicitation of a minor and one count of contributing to the delinquency of a minor in that case. He received a 15-year suspended sentence with five years of probation, in addition to 30 days in jail. He was also required to register as a sex offender for life, delete all social media accounts and pay more than \$4,000 in fines and fees.
As of press time on Tuesday, no bond had yet been set in the stalking case, but an initial hearing had been scheduled for Jan. 16 in Waveland Municipal Court.

GIFT

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their life.
We also saw dad’s pre-transplant coordinator, and his transplant doctor.
But most excitedly, we finally got to meet his post-transplant coordinator in real life.
She is the one who we can message when we have questions and she acts as a go-between for the patient and the doctor.
She was an absolute blessing during last year when dad had his mouth

cancer surgery and doctors were trying to coordinate how to give him his meds when he wasn’t able to take anything by mouth.
The party gave me the opportunity to thank her for what she does. It is an absolute comfort to know that the post-transplant coordinators are there for people when they need them.
Being there, one can see the benefits these life-saving transplants have on people and their families. It also reiterates my belief that science is pretty darn cool.
And, one does not attend something like this without thinking of the

grieving donor families. Donating organs is truly one of the greatest gifts someone can give and I’m so very thankful for our donor family every day.
In that spirit, if you haven’t already, you can sign up to become an organ donor at www.donatelife.net.
But, most important to me, I got to spend the day with my dad, a daddy-daughter day, if you will. (According to the nephew, I’m prohibited from calling them Cass Cass and Paw Paw days, as he already holds the trademark to nephew and Cass Cass days.)
It’s important to take

these days when I can and I intend to fully take advantage of these moments. I encourage others to, as well. We are not guaranteed a lot of time on this globe of ours, so it’s important to spend it with the people who are most dear to us.
Thank you to our donor family and the amazing team at Ochsner’s Transplant Institute for this precious gift of time and health for my dad and our family.
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HISTORY

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reputation as a lawyer, and my acquaintance with him in the Senate had impressed me with the lucidity of his intellect, his systemic habits, and capacity for labor.” During the conduct of the war Davis appointed him later as Secretary of War, but since he had no military experience, he was unhappy at this job. Fortunately, Davis needed a Secretary of State in March 1862 and Judah gladly accepted this post.
Judah embraced the mission as Secretary of State to gain support and recognition from France and England. He conducted “cotton diplomacy” offering France 100,000 bails of cotton if they would recognize the Confederate government. But each time the South lost a battle the Europeans would shy away from such action. He did negotiate a loan

in 1863 from France for 15 million dollars with a 7% interest rate. By 1865 the situation looked desperate and after the fall of Richmond, Jefferson Davis took his cabinet on a train to escape the Yankee Army.
Davis was captured and sent to jail for two years, but Judah snuck out of the region in a carriage to Florida. He was able to find passage to England. He practiced law there until his death in 1889.
History has not been kind to the memory of probably the only genius in the Confederate cabinet. Judah left no memoir and destroyed all his papers. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wrote of Judah: he rose to the top of the legal profession twice in one lifetime, on two continents, beginning his first assent as a raw youth and his second as a fugitive minister of a vanquished power.” New Orleans and Louisiana have produced many great lawyers over the last 300 years that are important subjects for our history.



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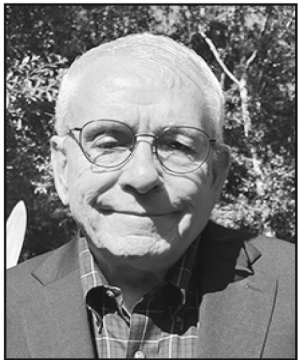
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Devotional Page

What Gift Do You Bring?

By REV. C. GERALD RICHARDSON, D. MIN



C. Gerald Richardson, D. MIN.

We are in the midst of the Christmas Season. Many of us, (I suspect that this is truer of men than it is of women) struggle to think of the perfect gift for someone who is special to us. We honestly wish to give a gift that will

be valued by the one who receives it. The challenge is in deciding on the right item, and then, once the decision is made, making sure that we purchase the correct size, color, style, or other aspect of the gift choice. Making good choices in each of these areas is crucial to completing the gifting process in a way which will result in a happy outcome for both the giver and the receiver.

Thinking of this question is a reminder of the importance of gifts. In truth, life itself is gift. Not one of us did anything to earn our presence in this world. We are here through no action or justification on our own part. Our existence in this world is

pure gift. As has sometimes been expressed, the only truly appropriate response to a gift is gratitude. Reflecting on this truth, I find that I am reminded that I am thankful to my parents for giving me life, and in my own case, providing me with a healthy and nourishing environment in which to grow and mature. They were not perfect. They made their share of mistakes, but they did give me a healthy and wholesome start from which I could make my way in the world. That was a gift.

There are those who have had a less than healthy start in life. They have been faced with challenges, and they have had to overcome obsta-

cles from which others have been spared. This is real, and it should not be discounted. Even for people in such circumstances, life is still a gift. The question for all of us is what we will do with the gift of life that has come to us.

I have often been amazed and inspired by persons who have made the decision to overcome problems, meet challenges, and see them as opportunities to make a difference for good in the world in which they live. Sometimes the greatest accomplishments in life come as we lay claim to opportunities which come to us in the face of challenge.

As we enter this season in which gifts are a large part of

our interactions with others, it could be helpful to be reminded of the gifts which we have received. We can do this without comparison to gifts that we have observed others receiving, but in thankfulness for those gifts which have come to us. When I am honest, I realize that my life is largely determined by the way I acknowledge and live into the gifts that have come to me.

The Advent/Christmas season offers a beautiful reminder that life is gift. We did not create it, and ultimately, we do not determine its conclusion. While we have it, we can use it for good.

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ALL-AMERICAN KICKER

EVAN NOEL INKS WITH FLORIDA GATORS

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

Saint Stanislaus All-American and five-star kicker Evan Noel signed with the University of Florida Gators on the first day of the early signing period for football Wednesday, December 4.

Noel, the program and area's only five-star player in history, chose the Gators over a myriad of offers including Southeastern Conference rivals Ole Miss and Arkansas. His signing completes a kicking career not seen in the area since SSC's Juan Betanzos signed with LSU and went on to an All-SEC career for the Tigers in the mid-1980s.

Noel commented, "This is a dream come true as I have been working hard for this moment for a long time. Since I saw Myles Brennan do it a number of years ago, it has been what I have worked so hard to do. To be able to share this

moment with my family and friends means a tremendous amount. They are the ones who have been there for me throughout the years

fers to choose from but selected the Gators after being committed to the University of Arkansas for two years. Noel added, "When I visited

people of the university were so welcoming. It will be challenge to get on the field but that is my goal. I am looking forward to getting to the

on my own and finding my way."

In 2024 Noel was 21-of-23 on PATs, 11-for-20 on field goals, had 36 punts for 1,477 yards for a 41.03 AVG with a Ling punt of 56 yards and 5 punts downed inside the 10-yard line, and 43 kickoffs for 2,318 yards with 30 touchbacks and five converted onsid

In his career, Noel has 217 kickoffs for 12,153 yards with 156 touchbacks (72%) and a long kickoff of 75 yards. Noel recorded 135 punts for 5,263 yards for a 39.0 AVG with 37 kicks downed inside the 20-yard line, and a long punt of 65 yards. He was 124-for-134 on PATs (93%), 33-for-54 on field goals (61%), a long field goal of 61 yards, and tallied 223 points.

Noel joins Myles Brennan as an All-American on special teams as Brennan was named first-team All-American in 2016 by MaxPreps

with a 46.3 AVG as a punter.

Saint Stanislaus head coach Tate Thigpen commented on Noel's signing, "The entire Saint Stanislaus Football family is proud of Evan Noel signing with Florida today. He has accomplished alot over the course of his career here, including a state record field goal! Seeing it pay off with opportunities at the next level is validation for our other athletes that hard work, perseverance and dedication lead to success and greater opportunities. We wish him the best at Florida and look forward to watching him continue to reach his goals!"

Noel is ranked as the nation's #2 kicker and was selected to play in the Mississippi/Alabama All-Star Classic on Saturday, December 14, at Hancock Whitney Stadium on the campus of the University of South Alabama.



PHOTO BY JOSEPH W. GEX II

Noel inks with the University of Florida - Joining Evan Noel at his signing are (seated, left to right) SSC head coach Tate Thigpen, Evan Noel, SSC assistant coach Mark Logan '86, SSC defensive coordinator Shane Edwards, (standing, left to right) SSC athletic director Stace McRaney, SSC principal Nancy Artigues, and SSC president Gary Blackburn.

and the tough times." Noel had multiple of-

Florida, I felt like I was home. The team and the

campus in June to begin the next chapter of being

ROCKS REMAIN UNDEFEATED ON

THE PITCH, TIGERS SWEEP PIRATES

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The Bay High Tigers and the Saint Stanislaus Rock-A-Chaws remain undefeated on the season on the pitch with victories last week.

BAY HIGH

TIGERS

The Lady Tigers beat Picayune 1-0 and Pass Christian 2-0 to move to 4-3-3 overall and 1-0 in the division. In the win against Picayune, Kamryn Lafontaine scored off an assist from Mack-

enzie Graham. In the victory over Pass Christian, Lafontaine scored a goal, and Chloe Knight scored a goal while Lauren Feuerstein added an assist. Lady Tigers head coach Colby Adam commented, "It is always a hard-fought game with Pass Christian. We talked about the importance of the game with the girls, and they went out and played with urgency tonight."

The Tigers picked up a pair of 2-0 victories last week over Picayune and Pass Christian. In the Pass Christian game,

goals were scored by Eric Booth and Iker Rivera. Bay High head coach Chris Doxey stated, "Our goal is to go 6-0 in the six most important games of the regular season. With this win, we are one step closer to achieving that goal. We are proud of our performance tonight and now we need to turn our attention to the next game and prepare."

HANCOCK

HAWKS

The Lady Hawks dropped their only game

last week to Long Beach 2-0. The Lady Hawks stand at 4-5 overall and 0-1 in division play.

The Hawks also dropped their game with Long Beach last week 1-0 to fall to 3-5-1 overall and 0-1 in division.

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CRESCENTS

The Crescents picked up two wins last week over North Forrest 10-0 and Perry Central 12-0 to move to 4-3-2 overall and 2-0 in division play.

Ella Genna scored five goals for the Crescents in the two division games last week.

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ROCK-A-CHAWS

The Rocks remain undefeated a 9-0 and 2-0 in division play with two 7-0 victories over North Forrest and Perry Central last week. Bernardo Salvador scored a hat trick in each game for the Rocks. Other goals against North Forrest include Nico Monsalvo, Oren Doxey, and Colin

Lyons.

SSC head coach Zach Villarubia commented, "We started off slow against North Forrest and underestimated the opponent. We did not play with urgency in the first half. We continued to push the game plan, and we were able to get over the rough start and do what we needed to do."



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BAY PICKS TRIO OF WINS ON HARDWOOD,

LADY HAWKS REMAIN UNDEFEATED

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The Bay High Tigers found a way to get three wins on the hardwood last week to erase a winless record while the Lady Hawks of Hancock remain undefeated on the season.

BAY HIGH

TIGERS

The Tigers (3-8) picked up three wins on the basketball court last week to notch some marks in the win column. The Tigers beat East Central 57-31 followed by a narrow victory against Quitman

43-41 before closing the week with a 54-17 victory over Bowling Green (LA). Anthony Robinson averaged 20 points, 7 rebounds, and 3 assists in the games.

The Lady Tigers (7-4) beat East Central 52-16 followed by a loss against Quitman 47-31 and a 41-17 victory over

Bowling Green (LA) to close out the week. Asiah Thompson averaged 12 points and 6 rebounds last week on the court.

HANCOCK

HAWKS

The Lady Hawks (11-0) remained undefeated

with convincing wins of 50-14 over Ocean Springs and a 57-26 decision over George County. Hancock had to dig deep to hold on for a 30-27 victory over Booker T. Washington (LA) to close out the week. Talana Bond averaged 15 points and 4 steals in the three games

last week.

The Hawks (4-6) dropped their game with Ocean Springs 59-53 and got the win against George County 62-48.

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Southern Miss Announces Fall 2024 Graduates

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

The University of Southern Mississippi (USM) awarded undergraduate, graduate and specialist degrees to approximately 1,300 students during its fall 2024 commencement ceremonies held Dec. 12-13 on the Hattiesburg campus. USM graduates from the local area include:

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disciplines, including cybersecurity, hydrography, nutrition, aquaculture, kinesiology, and economic development, among others. With a tradition of excellence in the arts, we are one of only 36 public institutions in the nation accredited in four major areas of the arts. Home to the Golden Eagles, our student-athletes compete in 17 NCAA Division I sports. With a culture marked by passion and persistence, Southern Miss is delivering graduates who are ready for life

• HARDWOOD

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OLA CRESCENTS

The Crescents are off to their best start in years at 9-2 and picked up three wins last week. The Crescents beat Cottage Hill Academy 65-47 with Taylor Henley scoring 32 points and grabbing 10 rebounds while Loralai Williford

had 12 rebounds, Nina Bradford with 12 points, and Valentina Mossy with 11 points. OLA topped Sacred Heart 63-22 with Mossy leading the way with 24 points followed by Henley with 20, and Bradford with 12. The Crescents ended the week with a 63-42 win to open their division schedule over West Marion. Mossy had 28 points in the win followed by Henley with 20 points and 24 rebounds. Williford added 10 rebounds.

SAINT STANISLAUS ROCK-A-CHAWS

The Rocks (5-5) dropped their game with D’Iberville but a score was not available. On Friday, the Rocks opened their division schedule with a 74-36 victory over West Marion. Allen Gilliam led the way for the Rocks with 20 points, 5 steals, and 4 assists.

• GRANT

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da, about \$24.6 million of which was earmarked for expanding substance abuse treatment in courts across the country. U.S. Rep. Mike Ezell helped shepherd the \$2 million grant to Hancock Youth Court, Favre said. “We’d like to thank Congressman Ezell for his assistance,” Favre said. The SAMHSA grant will help expand the Hancock Youth Court’s services, including now offering transportation services for parents in the program. Hancock Youth Court has now also partnered with Hancock-Ochsner Medical

Center, Favre said. A couple of years ago, Favre said, the substance abuse assessment portion of the program took 60-90 days — now, it’s down to seven. “Now, we have treatment available here in the building,” Favre said, thanks to the Youth Court’s partnership with the Tulane School of Medicine. “Now we’re able to provide all the services under one roof.” With the Ochsner partnership and the grant funds, Favre said, parents in the program will have access to medical doctor for assessment and treatment for mental health afflictions such as depression, anxiety or bipolar disorder. The youth court will also be

adding a testing specialist as part of its accountability practices; and male peer support. “The peer support is really important to the process,” Favre said. “Having people who have gone through this process before, to partner with parents and walk them through the process, giving them the comfort that they can make it through the process, is very important. Favre said the Hancock Youth Court was also recently selected as the first Peer Learning Court in the state of Mississippi, one of only seven courts selected. “We will partner with them to help other courts,” Favre said. “Previously, we partnered

with a court in Iowa and court in New York — now, we’re going to be in the driver’s seat with the program and offer structure to other courts across the country. Favre said it’s the youth court’s goal to either reunify families as quickly as possible, or ensure that children are able to stay with their parents while they go through the process. “We believe children belong to their parents and parents belong to their children,” he said. “I think that this is just a wonderful tribute to such amazing work Judge Favre has done for our county in ensuring wellness for our families,” Recovery Specialist Cecile Tebo said.

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Sports SCHEDULE

THURSDAY 12-12-24

- **Soccer:** Bay High vs West Harrison, 5:30 p.m./7p.m.
- **Soccer:** Saint Stanislaus vs St. Patrick, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY 12-13-24

- **Basketball:** Bay High at St. Patrick, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Hancock vs Pascagoula, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Soccer:** Bay High vs Richland, 6:30 p.m. (boys only)
- **Soccer:** Hancock at West Harrison, 5:30 p.m./7 p.m.

SATURDAY 12-14-24

- **Basketball:** War on the Shore at Saint Stanislaus (Hancock, SSC), TBD.
- **Soccer:** Bay High at Richland (girls only), TBD.
- **Soccer:** Our Lady Academy at PRCC, TBD.

TUESDAY 12-17-24

- **Basketball:** Bay High vs Poplarville, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Hancock at Biloxi, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Soccer:** Bay High at Moss Point, 5:30 p.m./7 p.m.
- **Soccer:** Hancock vs Pascagoula, 5:30 p.m./7 p.m.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



ANTHONY ROBINSON
BAY HIGH



TAYLOR HENLEY
OUR LADY ACADEMY



BERNARDO SALVADOR
SAINT STANISLAUS



ELLA GENNA
OUR LADY ACADEMY

BASKETBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

The Boys Basketball Player of the Week is Bay High's Anthony Robinson. Last week, Robinson averaged 20 points, 7 rebounds, and 3 assists in three wins against East Central, Bowling Green (LA), and Quitman.

The Girls Basketball Player of the Week is OLA's Taylor Henley. Last week, Henley helped OLA beat Cottage Hill Academy 65-47, Sacred Heart 63-22, and West Marion 63-42. Against Cottage Hill, Henley had 32 points and 10 rebounds, against Sacred Heart 20 points, and West Marion 20 points and 24 rebounds.

SOCCER PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

The boys Soccer Player of the Week is Saint Stanislaus' Bernardo Salvador. Last week in 7-0 shutout wins over North Forrest and Perry Central, Salvador scored a hat trick in each game.

The girls Soccer Player of the Week is OLA's Ella Genna. Last week, Genna scored five goals in division play for the Crescents.





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Amy Hansell, wife and business partner of Chef Jeffery Hansell, designed the restaurant's interior. The open kitchen allows patrons to be entertained with meal preparation while visiting with

friends and family sip-



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An exterior view of The Historical Society located at 108 Cue Street.

ping sodas or spirits.

Executive chef Jeffery Hansell's creative menu presents diners with a pleasing array of options when ordering. Southern Coastal, Spanish, and French influences are evident in Chef Hansell's cuisine.

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The Hancock County Historical Society is located in the Kate Lobrano House in Old Town Bay St. Louis. The home is a 19th century shotgun cottage that was donated to the Hancock County Historical Society by the grandchildren of Katherine Maynard Lobrano. The Hancock County Historical Society is one of the most important depositories of historic ma-

vides office space for research, lecture, and social functions, as well as storage facilities for research. The society was founded in 1977 and is ever so important in archiving the history of Hancock County. The efforts of many work in the gathering, sorting, documenting donated images, letters, maps, records, and stories — including very personal stories of all that make up the charm, tragedies, and goings-ons of our beloved Hancock County.

All of the information is made available to the public, including through the ever-expanding website. Stop by 108 Cue Street this Second Saturday between 1 and 3 p.m. to find out more. There is an active group of dedicated volunteers who are always happy to share



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An exterior view of The Historical Society located at 108 Cue Street.

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The National nonprofit Wreaths Across America (WAA) announced that Waveland Cemetery in Waveland, MS has once again joined in the mission to Remember, Honor, Teach, as an official location for 2024. This is the Second year

that the cemetery will participate in this national program Wreaths Across America started as a simple gesture of thanks that has grown into a national, year-long movement of dedicated volunteers and communities coming together to not only remember the nation's fallen and honor their service, but to teach the next generation about the value of freedom.

This year, there will be more than 4,225 participating locations placing veterans' wreaths on National Wreaths Across America Day – Saturday, Dec. 14, 2024 – with more than three million volunteers coming together.

The goal for Waveland Cemetery is to raise enough funds to place 150 sponsored veterans' wreaths on the headstones of all the local heroes laid to rest there, to ensure that the individuals who served to protect the freedoms of our country never be forgotten and to bring the community together in patriotic commemoration.

"We are forever grateful for the thousands of supporters who dedicate their time, energy and resources to fulfilling our mission

all year long," said Karen Worcester, executive director, Wreaths Across America. "These individuals and their communities know the value of remembering the fallen, honoring those who currently serve and teaching the next generation about the sacrifices made for our freedom every day, and because of their continued support, Wreaths Across America continues to grow and touch new people each year."

Those interested in volunteering for Wreaths Across America

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Diamondhead VFW Post 2880 Honors Voice of Democracy Essay Contest Winners



Photo submitted

Diamondhead VFW Post 2880 honored the 2024-2025 Voice of Democracy (VOD) winners at the annual post 2880 Christmas dinner at the Club at Diamondhead. Voice of Democracy has been the VFW's premier scholarship program since 1947. Voice of Democracy gives high school students an opportunity to write essays and voice recordings expressing their view on an annual patriotic theme. This year's theme was "Is America Today Our Forefathers Vision?" VFW Post 2880 sponsors students from Hancock high School. The winning students are awarded certificates of achievement, medals and a cash prize. Pictured left to right are Post 2880 Sr. Vice Commander Donald Crosby, VOD silver Medal winner Conner Boughton, gold medal winner Brian Davidson, bronze medal winner Lauriana Winters and Post 2880 Commander Doug Maxwell.

Diamondhead VFW Post 2880 Honors Patriot Pen Essay Contest Winners



Photo submitted

Diamondhead VFW Post 2880 Patriot's Pen winners for 2024-2025 were honored at the annual Post Christmas dinner at the Club at Diamondhead. Patriot's Pen is a VFW sponsored youth essay competition giving middle school students an opportunity to write essays expressing their view on an annual patriotic theme. This year's theme was "My voice in America's democracy." VFW Post 2880 sponsors students from Hancock Middle school. The winning students are awarded certificates of achievement, medals and a cash prize. Pictured left to right are Post 2880 Sr. Vice Commander Donald Crosby, gold medal winner Odin Henderson, bronze medal winner Asia Kocsis, silver medal winner Miya Rogers and Post 2880 Commander Doug Maxwell.

NASA's ASTRO CAMP – and its Impact – Continues to Grow in FY2024

BY LATOYA DEAN

When it comes to NASA's ASTRO CAMP®, the numbers – and impact – of the initiative to help students across the nation and world learn about NASA and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) just continue to grow and grow and grow.

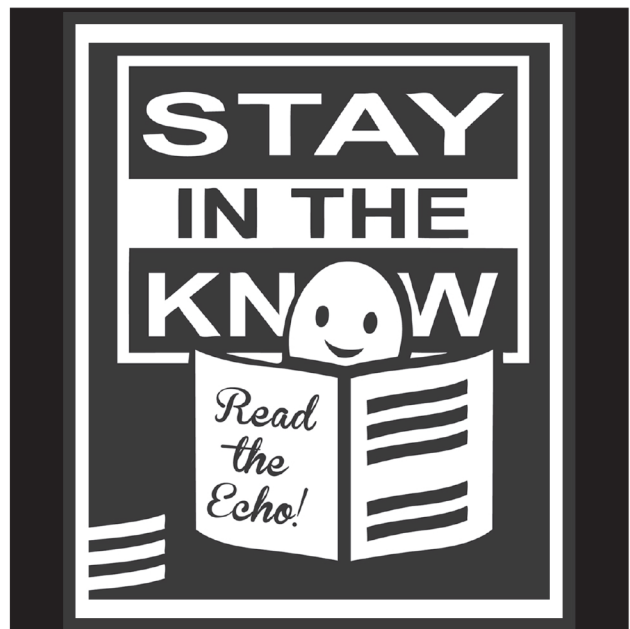
As in recent years, the NASA ASTRO CAMP® Community Partners (ACCP) program surpassed previous milestone marks in fiscal year 2024 by partnering with 373 community sites, including 50 outside the United States, to inspire youth, families, and educators. Participants included students from various population segments, focusing on students from underrepresented groups, accessibility for differently-abled students, and reaching under-resourced urban and rural settings.

"This year has been extremely impactful for the students at ACCP collaborating partner sites," said Kelly Martin-Rivers, principal investigator for NASA's ACCP. "A particular highlight was being a part of NASA's focus on the solar eclipses of 2024, supporting over 42,000 students at 52 NASA ACCP events. Supporting more and more exciting research and activities by the Science Activation grantees and Globe citizen scientists also continues to bring hands-on experiences directly to students across the country and around the world."

In the most recent year, the NASA ACCP partnered with 323 sites in 29 states and the District of Columbia. It also reached beyond the borders to partner with 50 sites in six countries, including Mexico, India, Turkey, Canada, Spain, and Ukraine. Overall, almost 150,000 students took part in the program, a 30% increase from fiscal year 2023. In addition, almost 107,000 students took part in special STEM activities, an increase of 43.6% from the previ-

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PUBLISHERS NOTICE All real estate advertised in this newspaper is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968, as amended, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preferences, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination." Familial status includes children.

LEGALS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-
TATE OF ANTHONY TARVER,
DECEDENT

CIVIL ACTION NO.:24-cv-
00097-CB

REGINA F. TARVER
PETITIONER

SUMMONS

The State of Mississippi

TO: TONY TARVER AND
TO ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS-
AT-LAW OF ANTHONY TAR-
VER, DECEDENT, WHOSE
NAMES, POST OFFICE AD-
DRESSES AND/OR STREET
ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN

You have been made Defen-
dants in a suit filed in this Court
by REGINA F. TARVER, Peti-
tioner, seeking to Petition to
Close the Estate and the First
and Final Accounting of AN-
THONY TARVER, Decedent.

You are summoned to appear
and defend against the Petition
filed against you in this action
at 9 a.m. on the 27th day of
January, A.D. 2025, in the Gulf-
port Chancery Courtroom of
Harrison County, First Judicial
District, located at 1801 23rd
Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi,
39501, and in case of your fail-
ure to appear and defend a
judgment will be entered
against you for the money and
other things demanded in the
Petition. You are not required
to file an answer or other plead-
ing, but you may do so if you
desire.

ISSUED under my hand and
seal of said Court, this the 25th
day of November, A.D., 2024.

TIFFANY LEE COWMAN
CHANCERY CLERK HAN-
COCK COUNTY, MS

BY: Larrinell Kessel
Deputy Clerk

Publish: 12/5/24,
12/12/24, 12/19/24, 12/26/24

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MIS-
SISSIPPI

CYNTHIA PREVOU
PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

CAUSE NO. 23CH1: 24-cv-673
CB

ROY G. HEYL, WILHELMINA
F. HEYL,
SAM CELINO, THE LIONAL
BOURGEOIS TRUST,
ROBERT P. BOURGEOIS,
SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE,
EUGENE FRANCIS DOW, JR.,
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DOW, CROSBY PARKER,
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
HANCOCK COUNTY, STATE
OF MISSISSIPPI, and
ANY AND ALL PERSONS
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EQUITABLE
INTEREST IN THE PARCELS
OF REAL PROPERTY
DESCRIBED IN THE PETI-
TION
DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: ANY AND ALL PERSONS
HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY
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FOR TAXES ON AUGUST 28,
2014, OF THE HEREINAFTER
DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

Lot 14, Block 105, Bayside
Park Subdivision, Unit 1, Han-
cock County, Mississippi ac-
cording to the official map or
plat thereof on file and of record
in the office of the Chancery
Clerk of Hancock County, Mis-
sissippi. Also identified as Tax
Parcel No. 163C-0-06-500.000.

You have been made a Defen-
dant in the petition filed in this
Court by Cynthia Prevou, the
Petitioner, seeking Complaint
To CONFIRM TAX TITLE.

You are required to mail or
hand-deliver a copy of a written
response to the Complaint to
the Attorney for the Plaintiff,
James L. Gray, 101 East Canal
Street, Suite E, Post Office
Box 1682, Picayune, Mississip-
pi 39466.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE
MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT
LATER THAN THIRTY (30)
DAYS AFTER THE 12TH
DAY OF DECEMBER, 2024
WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE
FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS
SUMMONS. IF YOUR RE-
SPONSE IS NOT MAILED OR
DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT
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TERED AGAINST YOU FOR
THE MONEY OR OTHER RE-
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COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original
of your response with the Clerk
of this Court within a reason-
able time afterward.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND
AND THE SEAL OF THIS
COURT on this the 4TH day
of December, 2024.

Tiffany Lee Cowman
Chancery Clerk of
Hancock County, Mississippi
By: Cassie Tribly, Deputy Clerk

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Hancock County, Mississippi
By: Cassie Tribly, Deputy Clerk

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

CAUSE NO. 23-52-JP
NOTICE is hereby given that
Letters of Administration on the
Estate of DENNIS VAN DYKE,
JR., were granted to the under-
signed by the Chancery Court
of Hancock County, Mississip-
pi, on April 10, 2023, and all
persons having claim against
said Estate are hereby notified
to present their claims to the
Clerk of said Court and to have
them probated and allowed
within ninety (90) days from
the date of the first publication
of this notice, failure to do so
will bar the claim.

THIS, the 25th day of
November, 2024.

ESTATE OF DENNIS VAN
DYKE, JR, Deceased

MIRIAM VAN DYKE, ADMINIS-
TRATRIX

Publish 3 Times: 12/5/2024,
12/12/2024, 12/19/2024

Hollis T. Holleman (MS Bar
#105692)
BOYCE HOLLEMAN & ASSO-
CIATES
1720 23rd Avenue Boyce
Holleman Boulevard
Gulfport, Mississippi 39501
228.863.3142 telephone
228.863.9829 facsimile
Hollis@boyceholleman.com

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MIS-
SISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-
TATE OF DONALD ANTHO-
NY DIPASCAL, JR.

NO. 24-608-MA

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR
TO CREDITORS OF Donald
Anthony DIPASCAL, JR., DE-
CEASED

WHEREAS, LETTERS OF AD-
MINISTRATION have been
granted on the 18th day of
November 2024, by the
Chancery Court of Hancock
County, Mississippi, to the un-
dersigned.

NOW THEREFORE, notice is
hereby given to all known per-
sons having claims against said
estate to present the same to
the Chancery Clerk of said
Court for probate and registra-
tion according to law within 90
days from the date of the first
publication of this notice; or
they will be forever barred.

THIS THE 19th day of Novem-
ber 2024.

/s/ Dominick DiPascal, Adminis-
trator

Submitted by: James Renfroe
MSB 10096, 648 Lakeland E
Dr. Ste A, Flowood MS 39232
601.932.1011

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MIS-
SISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-
TATE OF DONALD ANTHONY
DIPASCAL, SR.

NO. 24-609-MA

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TO CREDITORS OF

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Dominick DiPascal, Administra-
tor

Hon. James Renfroe MSB
10096
648 Lakeland E Dr. Ste A
Flowood MS 39232
601.932.1011

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MIS-
SISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-
TATE OF ERNST EMILE
MUNCHOW, JR., DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:24-cv-
00512-JS

DOROTHEA MUNCHOW, PE-
TIONER

EXECUTRIXS NOTICE TO
CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters Testamentary having
been granted on the 25th day
of November, 2024, by the
Chancery Court of Hancock
County, Mississippi, to the un-
dersigned upon the Estate of
Ernst Emile Munchow, Jr., de-
ceased, notice is hereby given
to all persons having claims
against said estate to present
the same to the Clerk of said
Court for probate and registra-
tion according to law within
ninety (90) days from this date,
or they will be forever barred.

THIS 5th day of December,
2024.

s/DOROTHEA MUNCHOW

PUBLISH: December 5, 2024,
December 12, 2024 and De-
cember 19, 2024

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
The City of Bay St. Louis, Mis-
sissippi, will receive proposals
for:

GRASS CUTTING SERVICES

Request for Proposals at CITY
HALL LOCATED AT 688
HIGHWAY 90, BAY ST. LOUIS,
MISSISSIPPI, until 10:00 A.M.
CST, December 31, 2024, and
then at said office publicly
opened.

The Contract Documents are
on file and may be examined at
the following locations:

1. Bay St. Louis City Hall, 688
Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mis-
sissippi 39520
2. www.baystlouis-msbids.com
(log-in registration required)

Specifications are being made
available via hard copy or digi-
tal download at www.bayst-
louis-msbids.com. Interested
Proposers can view documents
for free, but are required to log-
in or register for an account to
download or order proposal
documents. Specification docu-
ments are non-refundable and
must be purchased through the
website. Questions regarding
website registration and online
orders, please contact Plan
House at 228-248-0181. No
partial specification manuals
will be issued. No contract docu-
ments (hard copies or elec-
tronic copies) will be issued to
Proposers within twenty-four
(24) hours of the time indicated
above for receiving bids. For
those interested, bids can be
electronically submitted at
www.baystlouis-msbids.com
under the project page. All in-
terpretations of specifications
shall be directed to Michael
Reso, CAO/City Clerk at mre-
so@baystlouis-ms.com.

All submittals must be on file
with the City Clerk prior to the
opening time as stated above.
All submittals must be sealed
and clearly marked on the out-
side of the envelope as indicat-
ed GRASS CUTTING SER-
VICES RFP. Responses sub-
mitted by Express/Overnight
services must be in a separate
inner envelope/package sealed
and identified as stated in the
previous sentence. Envelopes
not so marked are submitted at
the risk of the prospective Sub-
mitter and the City assumes no
responsibility for the premature
opening of same by any City
employee.

Submittals sent through the
U.S. Mail are done so at the
risk of the Proposer and should
be addressed to the City of Bay
St. Louis, in care of the City
Clerks Office, 688 Highway 90,
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi,
39520. The City is NOT re-
sponsible for submittals that ar-
rive in the mail after the design-
ated opening time. Submittals
may be delivered in-person to
the City Clerks Office located at
688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis,
Mississippi until 10:00 a.m.
CST on December 31, 2024.

The Governing Body reserves
the right to reject any and all
proposals and to waive infor-
malities.

In order to perform public work,
the successful proposer shall,
as applicable, hold or obtain
such Mississippi Contractors
and business licenses as re-
quired by state statutes. Be-
fore a Contract will be awarded
for the services contemplated
herein, the City will conduct an
investigation as is necessary to
determine the performance
record and ability of the propos-
er to perform the size and type
of service specified under this
Contract. The City shall score
all proposals based on a 100-
point scales as follows: Price
(25 Points); Equipment and
Staffing Committed to Project
(25 Points); and Experience
and Qualifications of Contractor
(50 Points). The proposer shall
submit such information as
necessary to evaluate the propo-
sers qualifications.

For information concerning the
proposed service, contact the
Michael Reso, City Clerk, locat-
ed at 688 Highway 90, Bay St.
Louis, MS 39520 or mre-
so@baystlouis-ms.gov / 228-
466-5457.

Michael Reso, CAO/City Clerk-
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

Published: 12/12/24 and
12/19/24

SECTION 00090
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

NOTICE: Bidders

Sealed Bids will be received by
the HANCOCK COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS at
854 HIGHWAY 90, BAY ST.
LOUIS, MS 39520 until 10:00
A.M., on Monday, January 20,
2025, and shortly thereafter
opened and read for:

HANCOCK COUNTY ARENA
DEVELOPMENT SITE, RENO-
VATIONS TO EXISTING FA-
CILITY, AND NEW BARN

Project Manuals may be exam-
ined at the HANCOCK COUN-
TY BOARD OF SUPERVI-
SORS, 854 HIGHWAY 90, BAY
ST. LOUIS, MS, at the office of
the Design Engineer, Neel-
Schaffer, Inc., 3036 Longfellow
Drive in Bay St. Louis, or online
at www.neel-schafferplans.-

com. The bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. Returned of documents are not required. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for online registration. For information regarding website registration and online orders please contact Plan House Printing at 662-407-0193. For information regarding this project, contact Neel-Schaffers office at 228-467-2770 in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. Sealed paper bids may be submitted to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors at 854 HWY 90, Bay St. Louis, MS.

The BID SCHEDULE may be viewed utilizing the Mississippi Procurement Technical Assistance Program (MPTAP) website at <https://mspcp.com>.

Electronic bids can be submitted at www.neel-schafferplans.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Plan House Printing at 662-407-0193.

The right is reserved by the Owner to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities, and to award the Contract to serve the best interest of Owner.

HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By: Scotty Adam, President

Date:
Publish in the Sea Coast Echo
On 12/05/24 and 12/12/24

I/We, the member(s) of Tacos & Beer Bay St Louis intend to make application for transfer of an On-Premises retailer permit. Under the provisions of the Local Option Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws, Section 67-1-1, et seq., of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. If granted such transfer from Flatfish Productions doing business as Bodega Bay St Louis who is operating at 111 Court St Bay St Louis, Ms. I or We propose to operate under the tradename of Tacos & Beer Bay St Louis at 111 Court St of Hancock County. The name(s), title(s) and address(es) of the owner(s)/partners/corporate officer(s) and/or majority stockholder(s)/member(s)/trustee of the above named business are: Gilbert Valencia Owner 1493 Lakeshore Blvd Slidell, La 70461 and Kenneth Varnado Owner 2009 Sunset Blvd Slidell, La 70461. If any person wishes to request a hearing to object to the issuance of this permit a request for a hearing must be made in writing and received by the Department of Revenue within (15) fifteen days from the first date this notice was published. Requests shall be sent to: Chief Counsel, Legal Division Department of Revenue P.O. Box 22828 Jackson, Ms. 39225

Date of first publication: December 5, 2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL & TESTAMENT OF KENNETH L.FORD, DECEASED,
CAUSE NO. 23CH1: 24-cv-599-JP
SUMMONS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF KENNETH L. FORD, DECEASED, WHO ARE UNKNOWN AFTER A DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY.Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 18th day of November, 2024, by the ChanceryCourt of Hancock County, Mississippi to Kathleen Duffoure, Executrix, upon the ESTATE OF KENNETH L. FORD, deceased, notice is hereby given to any and all persons or corporate entities having claims of this Court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred.
Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 22nd day of November, 2024.
Hon. Tiffany Cowman, Chancery Clerk
By: Cassie Tribble, Deputy Clerk
Eugene J. Hoffman, IV Attorney at Law , MS Bar No. 104994
311 E. Second Street
Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571
228-323-3330
Tel.gene.hoffman210@gmail.-com
Dates of Publication: 1. 11/28/2024 2. 12/05/2024 3. 12/12/2024

TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2023, Janelle Lynn Cooper-Evans, AKA Janelle L. Cooper Evans, and Walter P. Evans, Jr., a married couple, executed a deed of trust to Rosen Harwood, P.A., Trustee for Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., Beneficiary, which deed of trust is recorded on February 16, 2023, in Book 2023 at Page 2710 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., having requested the undersigned Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said

deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorneys fees, trustees fees and expenses of sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Rosen Harwood, P.A., will, on the 9th day of January, 2025, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the north-facing front door of the Hancock County Courthouse L, 152 Main Street, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

Lot No. 54 of Bull Creek Park Subdivision according to the official map or plat thereof on file in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book 5, at Pages 35-36.

ALSO: One (1) 2022 Clayton manufactured home, VIN# CSS025324TXAB.

Said property shall be sold as is, where is. We will convey only such title as is vested in Rosen Harwood, P.A., as Trustee. The full purchase price must be paid in cash or by certified funds at the time of sale.

WITNESS my signature this the 3rd day of December, 2024.

ROSEN HARWOOD, P.A.
Trustee
By: /s/ Lori C. Baird
Lori C. Baird, Authorized Agent for Rosen Harwood, P.A.

To be published on December 12, December 19, and December 26, 2024, and January 2, 2025.

Lori C. Baird (MS Bar No. 104145)
ROSEN HARWOOD, P.A.
Post Office Box 2727
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403
Telephone: (205) 344-5000
Fax: (205) 758-8358

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

GENERAL NOTICE
The City of Bay St. Louis (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Bay St. Louis Bayou LaCroix Boat Launch Improvements Phase 2

Sealed bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the City of Bay St. Louis City Hall Conference Room, 2nd Floor located at 688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, until Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 10:30AM local time. At that time, all bids received will be publicly opened and the bid amount read aloud. The work included in the Contract shall consist primarily of Construction of the following items:
Bulkhead, low level FRP pier and kayak access ramp

OBTAINING THE BIDDING DOCUMENTS
Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found on the following designated website:
www.baystlouis-msbids.com

Plans and Specifications are being made available via hard copy or digital download. Plan Holders are required to log-in or register for an account to view or order bid documents at www.baystlouis-msbids.com. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. Questions regarding website registration and online orders are to contact Plan House at (228) 248-0181. No partial sets of drawings or project manuals will be issued. No contract documents (hard copies or electronic copies) will be issued to Contractors within twenty-four (24) hours of the time indicated above for receiving bids.

The Issuing Offices for the Bidding Documents is:

City of Bay St. Louis
688 Highway 90
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
Chiniche Engineering & Surveying
407 Hwy 90
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Offices on Monday-Thursday between 8:00am-5:00pm and Friday 8:00am-12:00pm CST.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS
Bids must be submitted upon the standard forms contained within these contract documents furnished by Engineer, noted in the Information for Bidders. Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check on a solvent bank or a Bidders Bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price, payable to the owner as bid security. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested by the Owner. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount.

The required documents shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and the outside of the envelope shall be marked plainly as: Bay St. Louis Bayou LaCroix Boat Launch Improvements Phase 2 and the Certificate of Responsibility Number.

Bids shall be deposited with the City of Bay St. Louis, 688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 or for those interested,

bids can be submitted at www.baystlouis-msbids.com under the project page, prior to the hour and date designated above. No oral, telegraphic, telephonic, or e-mail proposals shall be considered. All interpretations of drawings and specifications shall be directed to Jason Chiniche at Chiniche Engineering & Surveying by email to: jason@chiniche.com. An acknowledged received copy of all Addenda issued by the Engineer via Plan House must be included with the bid proposal. No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the date of actual bid opening without Owners consent. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all informalities.

Work to be performed shall be in accordance with all Federal, State and Local Regulations and Codes.

Approved by the order of the City of Bay St. Louis Council Members, this the October 22, 2024.

PUBLISH:
1st Advertisement Date: December 12, 2024
2nd Advertisement Date: December 19, 2024

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

GENERAL NOTICE
City of Bay St. Louis (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Old Town Depot Revitalization Parking Improvements
Sealed bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the City of Bay St. Louis City Hall Conference Room, 2nd Floor located at 688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, until Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 11:00AM local time. At that time, all bids received will be publicly opened and the bid amount read aloud. The work included in the Contract shall consist primarily of Construction of the following items:
Milling, Paving and Parking Improvements

OBTAINING THE BIDDING DOCUMENTS
Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found on the following designated website:
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The Issuing Offices for the Bidding Documents is:

City of Bay St. Louis
688 Highway 90
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
Chiniche Engineering & Surveying
407 Hwy 90
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Offices on Monday-Thursday between 8:00am-5:00pm and Friday 8:00am-12:00pm CST.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS
Bids must be submitted upon the standard forms contained within these contract documents furnished by Engineer, noted in the Information for Bidders. Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check on a solvent bank or a Bidders Bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price, payable to the owner as bid security. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested by the Owner. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount.

The required documents shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and the outside of the envelope shall be marked plainly as: Old Town Depot Revitalization Parking Improvements and the Certificate of Responsibility Number.

Bids shall be deposited with the City of Bay St. Louis, 688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 or for those interested, bids can be submitted at www.baystlouis-msbids.com under the project page, prior to the hour and date designated above. No oral, telegraphic, telephonic, or e-mail proposals shall be considered. All interpretations of drawings and specifications shall be directed to Jason Chiniche at Chiniche Engineering and Surveying by email to: jason@chiniche.com. An acknowledged received copy of all Addenda issued by the Engineer via Plan House must be included with the bid proposal. No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the date of actual bid opening without Owners consent. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all informalities.

Work to be performed shall be

in accordance with all Federal, State and Local Regulations and Codes.

Approved by the order of the City of Bay St. Louis Council Members, this the October 22, 2024

PUBLISH:
1st Advertisement Date: December 12, 2024
2nd Advertisement Date: December 19, 2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF OLIVER A. MORAN, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: 23CH1: 24-cv-00603 MA

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
EXECUTORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of October, 2024, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Oliver A. Moran, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
THIS 23rd day of October, A. D., 2024
Ann Fay Cuevas
Ann Fay Cuevas

PUBLISH: December 12, December 19 and December 26, 2024.

Return to:

Patrick W. Kirby
The Kirby Law Firm, PLLC
2304 19th Street, Suite 203
Gulfport, Mississippi 39501

ORDINANCE NO. 672-12-2024
CITY OF BAY ST LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 151 OF THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS CODE OF ORDINANCES TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION OF LITTERING AND TO PREVENT LITTERING IN CANALS AND WATERWAYS

WHEREAS, the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, is a duly organized and incorporated municipality pursuant to Title 21, Chapter 8, Section 1, et seq., of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated and all amendments thereto; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 21, Chapter 17, Section 5, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated and all amendments thereto; the City governing authorities have the power to adopt any orders, resolutions or ordinances with respect to such municipal affairs, property and finances which are not inconsistent with the Mississippi Constitution of 1890, the Mississippi Code of 1972, or any other statute or law of the State of Mississippi, and shall likewise have the power to alter, modify and repeal such orders, resolutions or ordinances; and
WHEREAS, the City has significant interest in, among other things, providing a safe, pleasant, and clean environment free from nuisance and littering, and in protecting the preserving the quality of its neighborhoods and aesthetics of the City; and
WHEREAS, the City governing authorities desires to modify its current littering ordinance to combat the placement of tree trimmings and grass cuttings within streets, canals, and waterways located within the City; and
WHEREAS, the City desires to modify Chapter 22, Article IV, Section 151 of its current ordinance; and
WHEREAS, the Council authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, to sign such documents or take actions that are necessary or required for the effectuation of the amended Ordinance.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, THAT RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 22-ENVIRONMENT, ARTICLE IVLITTERING, SECTION 151 AS STATED BELOW.
Section 1. Section 151 currently reads as follows: Sec. 22-151. - Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, drop, sweep or place any kitchen waste, refuse, trash, paper, cans, bottles, fruit skins or other material or substance upon the streets, alleys, sidewalks, neutral grounds, municipal buildings and premises, playgrounds, beaches, parks, drainage pipes and ditches, vacant

lots, or any other property within the city.
Section 2. Section 151 will be modified to read as follows:
Sec. 22-151. - Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, drop, sweep or place any kitchen waste, refuse, trash, paper, cans, bottles, fruit skins, tree trimmings, grass clippings, or grass trimmings, or other material or substance upon the streets, alleys, sidewalks, neutral grounds, municipal buildings and premises, playgrounds, beaches, parks, drainage pipes and ditches, vacant lots, canals, waterways, or any other property within the city.
After being reduced to writing, the forgoing Ordinance was read and considered, section by section, and then as a whole, whereupon, Councilman DESALVO moved for its adoption, and after a second by Councilman DAVIS, the following roll call vote was had:

Council Member Doug Seal YEA

Council Member Gene Hoffman YEA
Council Member Jeffrey Reed YEA

Council Member Kyle Lewis YEA

Council Member Linda Kay Davis YEA
Council Member Josh Desalvo YEA
Council Member Gary Knoblock YEA

Passed by the City Council of the City of Bay Saint Louis on the 3rd day of December 2024.

CERTIFICATION

I, Michael Reso, City Clerk for the City of Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was approved and adopted in the public meeting of the City Council held on December 3rd, 2024, a quorum being present, in the City Council Conference Chambers and to be recorded in the Minute Books, said Council being the duly elected, qualified, and acting governing body of Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi.

Presented by me to the Mayor on this, the 4th day of December 2024.

Michael Reso, City Clerk

Approved, and signed by me on this, the 4th day of December 2024.

Michael J. Favre, Mayor
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE DETERMINATION OF HEIRS AT-LAW OF PATRICIA M. CROSBY AND LEE C. CROSBY, SR., DECEDENTS

CIVIL ACTION NO:24-CV-00662-JS

KATRINA L. CROSBY PETITIONER

SUMMONS

The State of Mississippi

TO: ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW OF PATRICIA M. CROSBY AND LEE C. CROSBY, SR., DECEDENT, TOGETHER WITH ANY AND ALL PERSONS, CREDITORS AND/OR ENTITIES WHO MAY HAVE A MONETARY, LEGAL AND/OR EQUITABLE CLAIM AGAINST THE HOMESTEAD REAL PROPERTY OF THE DECEDENT, PATRICIA M. CROSBY AND LEE C. CROSBY, SR., WHOSE NAMES, POST OFFICE ADDRESSES AND/OR STREET ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN

You have been made Defendants in a suit filed in this Court by KATRINA L. CROSBY, Petitioner, seeking Determination of Heirs of PATRICIA M. CROSBY AND LEE C. CROSBY, SR., Decedent.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on the 13th day of January, A.D. 2025, in the Chancery Courtroom of Hancock County, 152 Main St, Bay St. Louis, Ms. 39520, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money and other things demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 4th day of December, A.D., 2024.

TIFFANY LEE COWMAN
CHANCERY CLERK HANCOCK COUNTY, MS

BY: Larrinell Kessel
Deputy Clerk

Publish: 12/12/24, 12/19/24, 12/26/24, 1/2/25

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

PERRY L. ROACH
PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

CAUSE NO.24-cv-672-CB

OIKODOME, INC., STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, CROSBY PARKER, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, by and through Tiffany Lee Cowman, Chancery Court Clerk; and ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY SOLD FOR TAXES ON AUGUST 29, 2022, AS DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT

DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE LAND SOLD FOR TAXES ON AUGUST 29, 2022, HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

Lots 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, Block 13, Highland Park Subdivision, Hancock, Mississippi in accordance with the plat and survey by E. S. Drake, C. E. Dated June 20, 1927 and filed for record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi on November 25, 1927. Further identified as Tax Parcel No. 162F-404-066.000.

You have been made a Defendant in the petition filed in this Court by Perry Roach, the Petitioner, seeking Complaint To CONFIRM TAX TITLE.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint to the Attorney for the Plaintiff, James L. Gray, 101 East Canal Street, Suite E, Post Office Box 1682, Picayune, Mississippi 39466.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2024, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THIS COURT on this the 4TH day of December, 2024.

Tiffany Lee Cowman
Chancery Clerk of Hancock County
Mississippi
By: Bridgett Ladner, Deputy Clerk

Please Publish:

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

PERRY L. ROACH
PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

CAUSE NO. 24-674-JP

ERNIE R. AINSWORTH, RHONDA M. AINSWORTH, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, CROSBY PARKER, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, by and through Tiffany Lee Cowman, Chancery Court Clerk; and ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY SOLD ON OCTOBER 31, 2005 AS DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT
DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE LAND SOLD FOR TAXES ON OCTOBER 31, 2005, HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

Lots 27 and 28, Square 6-A, Unit 2, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Hancock County, Mississippi as per plat thereof on file and of record in office of Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

You have been made a Defendant in the petition filed in this Court by Perry L. Roach, the Petitioner, seeking Complaint To CONFIRM TAX TITLE.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint to the Attorney for the Plaintiff, James L. Gray, 101 East Canal Street, Suite E, Post Office Box 1682, Picayune, Mississippi 39466.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 12TH DAY

OF DECEMBER, 2024 WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

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ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THIS COURT on this the 4th day of December, 2024.

Tiffany Lee Cowman
Chancery Clerk of
Hancock County, Mississippi
By: Bridgett Ladner, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SEALED BID FOR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

Chancery Clerk Tiffany Lee Cowman, Guardian/Conservator of the person and estate of Mark G. Noel, is accepting sealed bids for the purchase of the following real property in its as is condition, subject to approval by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, MS:

Lot 18, Block 4, PERKINS SUBDIVISION, First Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision recorded in Vol. G-6, page 433, Deed Records of Hancock County, Mississippi.

ALSO:

Fifty (50) feet of Lot 468, First Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said City made by E.S. Drake, C.E., and on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, which lies immediately South of Lot 18, Block 4, PERKINS SUBDIVISION, the eastern boundary line of the property herein being a continuation of the eastern line of said Lot 18, Block 4, PERKINS SUBDIVISION, and the western boundary line of property herein conveyed being a continuation of the western line of said Lot 18, Block 4, PERKINS SUBDIVISION, and on the same course as said lines.

Tax Parcel Nos. 149E-0-29-231.000 and 149E-0-29-232.000

Commonly known as 426 Demontluzin Avenue, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

Bids shall be delivered in writing on paper signed by the bidder or authorized representative, and enclosed in a sealed envelope delivered to Caroline E. Haas, Haas & Haas Attorneys, 201 N. Second Street, Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520.

The buyer is responsible for all costs, including survey and closing fees. All bids shall be plainly marked SEALED BID TO PURCHASE 426 DEMONTLUZIN AVE. and must be received by 12:00 pm (noon) on Wednesday, December 18, 2024. Any bid received after that time will not be considered. Tiffany Lee Cowman, or her deputy clerk, will publicly open, read, and tabulate the bids at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 18, 2024, at Haas & Haas Attorneys, 201 N. Second Street, Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520. Bidders may contact Caroline E. Haas, Attorney for the Guardian/Conservator, at (228) 467-6574 for clarifications and questions.

Publish dates: 12/5/2024 and 12/12/2024

PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR STATE WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION OF ACTIVITIES REQUIRING A FEDERAL LICENSE OR PERMIT

Brad Mullen, 4086 19th Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, hereby gives public notice of application for Section 401 Water Quality Certification from the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality for a project to be located at 11614 Bayou View Drive, in Shoreline Park Subdivision, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi. This project falls within the Coastal Streams basin and is situated adjacent to a man-made canal which flows into Bayou La Croix and then into the Jourdan River.

The Applicant proposes to discharge fill material into +/- 0.08 acres of wetlands for the construction of a single-family residence, pool, boat launch, and bulkhead.

The applicant may be required to compensate for impacts to waters of the State. If deemed necessary, this will be achieved by the purchase of offsite wetland mitigation credits from an approved mitigation site.

In compliance with the requirements of Section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251, 1341), the Applicant has applied for certification from the Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board that the above mentioned activity will comply with applicable provisions of Section 301 (33 U.S.C. 1311), Section 302 (33 U.S.C. 1312), Section 303 (33 U.S.C. 1313), Section 306, (33 U.S.C. 1316), and Section 307 (33 U.S.C. 1317), of the federal Clean Water Act and appropriate requirements of State Law.

Persons wishing to comment

upon this Application for certification are invited to submit comments in writing to Carrie Barefoot of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, at P. O. Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi, 39225-2261, no later than December 31, 2024. All comments received by this date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. A public hearing will be held if the Permit Board finds a significant degree of public interest in the proposed certification. The Permit Board is limited in the scope of its analysis to matters bearing on the Projects possible impacts on water quality. Any comments relative to zoning or economic and social impacts are within the jurisdiction of local zoning and planning authorities and should be addressed to them.

Additional details about the application are available by writing or calling Carrie Barefoot at the Permit Board address and telephone number below. This information is also available for review at the following location during normal business hours.

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality
Office of Pollution Control
515 East Amite Street
Jackson, MS 39225
(601) 961-5171

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you believe will be interested.

RAIL MAINTENANCE
Project No. RR2501
HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION

Electronic or sealed Bids for construction of Rail Maintenance Project No. RR2501 will be received by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, located at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi 39556, until 2:00 P.M., Local Time, January 16, 2025, then bids will be publicly opened and read. Any bids received after the time and date specified will not be considered and will be returned.

All bids must be addressed to the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION of Hancock County, Mississippi; marked SEALED BID TO OPENED AT 2:00 P.M., January 16, 2025, and specify the name of the bid project. If bid is submitted by mail, the address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556. If bid is hand-delivered, the street address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556.

When bids are submitted electronically, the same requirements for submitting sealed bids shall apply. Electronic bids shall be submitted online at www.portairspacework.com and shall include a document on the first page stating the same language required on the face of the sealed envelope.

A pre-bid meeting for this project will be held on, January 7, 2025, at 9:00 A.M., Local Time at the Port Bienville Industrial Park, David M. McDonald Training Center, 3060 Port and Harbor Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. All perspective Bidders are invited to attend.

The project generally consists of:

Miscellaneous rail work at Port Bienville Industrial Park. Work includes subgrade repairs and grade adjustments within a storage yard, replacing timer ties with either timber or steel ties as specified, replacing 115# rail as specified, and performing other associated work.

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all plant, labor, equipment, and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

The Contractor will commence the work required by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS within 10 calendar days after the date of the NOTICE TO PROCEED and Final Completion of the project will be obtained within 90 calendar days of the NOTICE TO PROCEED date unless the period for completion is extended otherwise by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. The Contractor shall be liable for the continued assessment of liquidated damages at \$1,000.00 for each calendar day that the Contractor is in default in attaining Final Completion within the time stipulated as provided herein.

Bidder must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Contractors submitting a written sealed bid must write their current Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing their Bid as well as on their Bid. If the Bid is being submitted electronically through the Online Plan Room the Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number must be included on the cover page and profile of the electronic bid submittal.

Proposals shall be submitted in duplicate, sealed and deposited with the Hancock County Port

& Harbor Commission prior to the hour and date hereinbefore designated. No bidder may withdraw its bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each Bidder must deposit with his proposal, a Bid Bond in an amount equal to 5% (five) percent of its bid, payable to the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, as bid security. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the contract amount.

Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, Instructions to Bidders and Bidders Proposal forms are on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi. Bid documents are being made available via paper or digital copy. All interested bidders are required to log-in or register for an account at www.portairspacework.com to view and order Bid Documents. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for registration. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through this website. Questions regarding website registration and online orders should be directed to Plan House Printing at (228) 248-0181. Any questions that bidders might have should be directed to Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 3036 Longfellow Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 to the attention of Alex Davis or via email at alex.davis@neel-schaffer.com.

Minority and womens business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, materials and/or supply needs.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and women's business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities therein.

By: Blaine LaFontaine, Executive Director/CEO
Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission

DATES OF PUBLICATION:
December 12, 2024
December 19, 2024

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated December 11, 2009, executed by ROY D SHELTON conveying certain real property therein described to D. JEFFREY WAGNER, as Trustee, for HOPE COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION, Original Beneficiary, to secure the indebtedness therein described, as same appears of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi filed and recorded December 15, 2009, in Deed Book 2009, Page 35532; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was transferred and assigned to Hope Federal Credit Union; and WHEREAS, Rubin Lublin, LLC has been appointed as Substitute Trustee; and NOW, THEREFORE, the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee shall, on January 2, 2025 within the lawful hours of sale between 11:00AM and 4:00PM at the front door of the Court-house proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to wit:

LOTS 54 AND 55, SQUARE 155, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 2, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS PER MAP OR PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 6246 EAST RIDLEY STREET, BAY ST LOUIS, MS 39520. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Rubin Lublin, LLC

3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100
Peachtree Corners, GA 30071
rslaw.com/property-listing
Tel: (877) 813-0992
Fax: (470) 508-9401

PUBLISH: 12/05/2024,
12/12/2024, 12/19/2024,
12/26/2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SAM J. CELINO, SR, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: 23CH1: 24-cv-00604 MA

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
EXECUTORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 13TH day of November, 2024, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Sam J. Celino, Sr., deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
THIS 13th day of November, A. D., 2024
Sam J. Celino, Jr.
Sam J. Celino, Jr.

PUBLISH: December 12, December 19 and December 26, 2024.

Return to:

Patrick W. Kirby
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STENNIS TECH PARK PHASE II SITE PREP
Project No. AP2303

HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION

Electronic or sealed Bids for construction of STENNIS TECH PARK PHASE II SITE PREP-Project No. AP2303 will be received by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, located at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi 39556, until 2:00 P.M., Local Time, December 17th, 2024, (FUTURE ADDENDUM FOLLOW PUSHING OPENING TO JANUARY 3, 2025) TO then bids will be publicly opened and read. Any bids received after the time and date specified will not be considered and will be returned.

All bids must be addressed to the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION of Hancock County, Mississippi; marked SEALED BID TO OPENED AT 2:00 P.M., December 17th, 2024 (FUTURE ADDENDUM FOLLOW PUSHING OPENING TO JANUARY 3, 2025), and specify the name of the bid project. If bid is submitted by mail, the address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556. If bid is hand-delivered, the street address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556.

When bids are submitted electronically, the same requirements for submitting sealed bids shall apply. Electronic bids shall be submitted online at www.portairspacework.com and shall include a document on the first page stating the same language required on the face of the sealed envelope.

A pre-bid meeting for this project will be held on Wednesday, December 4th, 2024, at 10:00 A.M., Local Time at the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, located at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi 39556. All perspective Bidders are invited to attend.

The project generally consists of:

Site development at Phase II of Stennis Tech Park, located to the east of Fred and Al Key Road and south of Stennis Airport Road. Work includes site clearing and grubbing; fill; grading; drainage; parking lots; water & sewer service tie ins; and stone access roads.

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all plant, labor, equipment, and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

The Contractor will commence the work required by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS within 10 calendar days after the date of the NOTICE TO PROCEED and Final Completion of the project will be obtained within 180 working days of the NOTICE TO PROCEED date unless the period for completion is extended otherwise by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

Bidder must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Contractors submitting a written sealed bid must write their current Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing their Bid as well as on their Bid. If the Bid is being submitted electronically through the Online Plan Room, the Mississippi Certificate of

Responsibility Number must be included on the cover page and profile of the electronic bid submittal.

Proposals shall be submitted in duplicate, sealed and deposited with the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission prior to the hour and date hereinbefore designated. No bidder may withdraw its bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each Bidder must deposit with his proposal, a Bid Bond in an amount equal to 5% (five) percent of its bid, payable to the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, as bid security. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the contract amount.

Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, Instructions to Bidders and Bidders Proposal forms are on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi. Bid documents are being made available via paper or digital copy. All interested bidders are required to log-in or register for an account at www.portairspacework.com to view and order Bid Documents. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for registration. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through this website. Questions regarding website registration and online orders should be directed to Plan House Printing at (228) 248-0181. Any questions that bidders might have should be directed to Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 3036 Longfellow Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 to the attention of Alex Davis or via email at alex.davis@neel-schaffer.com.

Minority and womens business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, materials and/or supply needs.

Any contract awarded under this Invitation for Bids may be paid for in whole or in part with grant funding from the United States Department of the Treasury (Treasury) and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) under the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012 (RESTORE Act).

Minority and womens business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities and equipment, material and/or supply needs.

All bidders must make positive efforts to use small and minority owned business and women business enterprises.

The BID SCHEDULE may viewed utilizing the Mississippi Procurement Technical Assistance Program (MPTAP) website at <https://mscpc.com/> [mscpc.com]

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Minority and womens business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities and equipment, material and/or supply needs.

All bidders must make positive efforts to use small and minority owned business and women business enterprises.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and women's business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission reserves

the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities therein.

By:

Blaine LaFontaine, Executive Director/CEO Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission

I/We, the member(s) of Tacos Beer Bay St Louis DBA Bodega Wine & Spirits intend to make application for transfer of Package Retailer permit. Under the provisions of the Local Option Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws, Section 67-1-1, et seq., of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. If granted such transfer from Flatfish Productions doing business as Bodega Wine and Spirits who is operating at 111 B Court St Bay St Louis, Ms. I or We propose to operate under the tradename of Tacos & Beer Bay St Louis DBA Bodega Wine & Spirits at 111 B Court St of Hancock County.

The name(s), title(s) and address(es) of the owner(s)/partners/corporate officer(s) and/or majority stockholder(s)/member(s)/trustee of the above named business are: Gilbert Valencia Owner 1493 Lakeshore Blvd Slidell, La 70461 and Kenneth Varnado Owner 2009 Sunset Blvd Slidell, La 70461.

If any person wishes to request a hearing to object to the issuance of this permit a request for a hearing must be made in writing and received by the Department of Revenue within (15) fifteen days from the first date this notice was published. Requests shall be sent to: Chief Counsel, Legal Division Department of Revenue P.O. Box 22828 Jackson, Ms. 39225

Date of first publication: December 5, 2024

WATER AND SEWER TO SITE 1

Project No. PB2404
HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION

Electronic or sealed Bids for construction of Water and Sewer to Site 1 Project No. PB2404 will be received by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, located at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi 39556, until 2:00 P.M. Local Time, January 30, 2025, then bids will be publicly opened and read. Any bids received after the time and date specified will not be considered and will be returned.

All bids must be addressed to the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION of Hancock County, Mississippi; marked SEALED BID TO OPENED AT 2:00 P.M., January 30, 2025, and specify the name of the bid project. If bid is submitted by mail, the address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556. If bid is hand-delivered, the street address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556.

When bids are submitted electronically, the same requirements for submitting sealed bids shall apply. Electronic bids shall be submitted online at www.portairspacework.com and shall include a document on the first page stating the same language required on the face of the sealed envelope.

A pre-bid meeting for this project will be held on, January 14, 2025, at 2:00 P.M., Local Time at the Port Bienville Industrial Park, David M. McDonald Training Center, 3060 Port and Harbor Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. All perspective Bidders are invited to attend.

The project generally consists of:

The installation of water and sewer components to serve Site 1 at Port Bienville Industrial Park. These components include a sewer lift station, approximately 3,300 LF of gravity sewer main, sewer manholes, approximately 4,800 LF of sewer force main, approximately 7,100 LF of water main, and other associated work.

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all plant, labor, equipment, and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

The Contractor will commence the work required by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS within 10 calendar days after the date of the NOTICE TO PROCEED and Substantial Completion of the project will be obtained within 270 consecutive calendar days of the NOTICE TO PROCEED date unless the period for completion is extended otherwise by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. The Contractor shall be liable for the continued assessment of liquidated damages at \$1,000.00 for each calendar day that the Contractor is in default in attaining Final Completion within the time stipulated as provided herein.

Bidder must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Contractors submitting a written sealed bid must write their current Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing their Bid as

well as on their Bid. If the Bid is being submitted electronically through the Online Plan Room, the Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number must be included on the cover page and profile of the electronic bid submittal.

Proposals shall be submitted in duplicate, sealed and deposited with the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission prior to the hour and date hereinbefore designated. No bidder may withdraw its bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each Bidder must deposit with his proposal, a Bid Bond in an amount equal to 5% (five) percent of its bid, payable to the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, as bid security. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the contract amount.

Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, Instructions to Bidders and Bidders Proposal forms are on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi. Bid documents are being made available via paper or digital copy. All interested bidders are required to log-in or register for an account at www.portairspacework.com to view and order Bid Documents. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for registration. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through this website. Questions regarding website registration and online orders should be directed to Plan House Printing at (228) 248-0181. Any questions that bidders might have should be directed to Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 3036 Longfellow Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 to the attention of Alex Davis or via email at alex.davis@neel-schaffer.com.

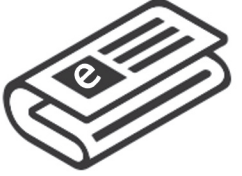
Minority and womens business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, materials and/or supply needs.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and women's business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities therein.

By:
Blaine LaFontaine, Executive Director/CEO
Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission

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NOTICE
OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles listed below will be sold on Dec. 16th, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. at the location below:

Tow Biz, LLC
10016 Hwy. 603
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
228-493-4210

2009 Yellow Chevy Aveo
KL1TD56EX9B625192

2002 Black Saturn SL1
1G8ZH52852Z113094

12/5; 12/12/2024

NOTICE
OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles listed below will be sold starting Jan. 11th, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at the location below:

MOSS TOWING
12130 Hwy. 603
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228)-467-5227

2001 FORD TAURUS
VIN# 1FAPF53251A232711

2017 HYUNDAI GENESIS
VIN# KMHGN4JR8HU168812

2009 JEEP LIBERTY
VIN# 1J8GP28K59W520788

2016 FORD F-150
VIN# 1FTEW1EG0GFD33192

2010 HYUNDAI ELANTRA
VIN# KMHDU4AD9AU944058

12/12, 12/19, 12/26/2024



**THE COMMUNITY
CALENDAR**

DECEMBER 12

•The Waveland branch of the Hancock County Library System will host its annual Holiday Tree Celebration, with an open house from 6-7:30 p.m. Santa will take photos with the children, and there will be a scavenger hunt.

DECEMBER 13

- The Arts, Hancock County is hosting Paper Lantern Making with Kerry Maloney from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Members: \$28.50; Not-yet members: \$31.50. Maximum 10 students. In this class, students will learn how to use reed and tissue paper to make a fully complete paper lantern. Provided by the instructor: Reed, tape, tissue paper, scissors, glue, lights. Learn more at www.hancockarts.org.
- The city of Waveland will host “Christmas on Coleman,” with food trucks from 5-8 p.m.; a parade at 6 p.m.; caroling; and a visit with Santa. All golf carts, antique cars, and marching groups are invited to participate in the parade and there will be no entry fee. The parade will begin at Central Ave., head east to Mollere Dr.; turn down Mollere to Beach Boulevard; from the beach to Coleman Ave., ending at the Town Green.

DECEMBER 14

• The city of Diamondhead is hosting Christmas on the Town Green from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Parade from the Club at Diamondhead to the City Hall Town Green. Sit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. The Grinch and other Christmas character sightings. Pizza, popcorn, lemon bars, and other goodies to be given away. Christmas music and train rides. Snaparazzi photo booth.

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Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228)-467-5227

1992 GULF STREAM CONQUEST
VIN# 1FDKE30G9NHA33947

2004 NISSAN MAXIMA
VIN# N4BA41E74C815684

2005 ACURA TSK
VIN# JH4CL96805C026835

2017 CHRYSLER 200
VIN# 1C3CCAB7HN503467

2014 NISSAN VERSA
VIN# 3N1CN7AP3EL848972

2013 HYUNDAI ELANTRA
VIN# KMHD35LE9DU148817

12/12, 12/19, 12/26/2024

- Wreaths Across America event will take place at 10 a.m. at the Waveland Cemetery. All are invited to come remember and honor the veterans buried in the Waveland Cemetery. For more information, contact location coordinator Jack DuPont at 601-569-9693 or jackdupont@student.bwsd.org.
- Book Signing. MS writer Joe Lee signs an inspiring sports tale “Saints of St. Mary’s” from 2 to 4 p.m. at Bay Life Gifts and Books inside Century Hall.
- From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for Art Without Walls, the Arts, Hancock County open-air art market, offers local member artists the opportunity to display and sell their artwork in the historic Bay St. Louis Depot Arts District. Art items for sale may include original works, prints, giftable art, mixed media, fiber arts, jewelry, pottery, books, cards, woodwork, and beyond. Art WithOut Walls - @ 405 Blaize Ave. AWOW markets are scheduled with the Second Saturday Art Walks in Bay Saint Louis, MS.

is, MS.

- The annual Kiln Fire Truck parade will begin at noon. Fire trucks will parade through the Kiln on the way to meet Santa, starting at Bobinger Rd. and Old Kiln Picayune Rd., heading to Old Joe Moran Rd., where it turns left and heads to Cuevas Rd., crosses on to Hwy. 43 and heads to the storm shelter. Santa will be at the shelter to meet with the children.
- The 100 Men Hall, located at 303 Union St., Bay St. Louis is hosting “A Soulful Christmas,” with selfies and breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus from 9 a.m. to noon. The event is for all ages, but all children must be accompanied by an adult.
- INFINITY Science Center, located at 1 Discovery Circle in Pearlington, will host Gingerbread House Engineering from 10 a.m. to noon.

DECEMBER 17

- The Blood Center will host the annual Robin-Estorffe Memorial Blood Drive from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Bay

St. Louis Community Center, 301 Blaize Ave. For more, call 800-86-BLOOD.

- The Kiln branch of the Hancock County Library System will host its annual Holiday Tree Celebration, with an open house from 6-7:30 p.m. Santa will take photos with the children and there will be a scavenger hunt.

DECEMBER 19

- The East Hancock/Diamondhead branch of the Hancock County Library System will host its annual Holiday Tree Celebration with an open house from 6-7:30 p.m. Santa will take photos with the children and there will be a scavenger hunt.
- The Hancock County Community Committee will host “Elves in the Park” from 6-8 p.m. in McLeod Park in Kiln. The event is free and will include a visit with Santa and free digital picture with him; plus cookies and hot chocolate. M.A.P. will also perform.

DECEMBER 21

- The Arts Hancock County is hosting a Winter Solstice parade on the longest night of the year. The walking parade will travel down to Washington St. for a beach bonfire, pizza, and familiar tunes. Bring lanterns, hand-

made or purchased, battery powered only. Wear a costume if you like. Also bring a folding chair, beverage of choice, and a snack to share if you like. This is a family-friendly event. No dog, please. Friends are always welcome. Registration is required for parade participation. Visit www.hancockarts.org for more information.

- The 100 Men Hall is hosting an Old Soul Fashioned Christmas, complete with an ugly sweater / holiday themed costume contest, old fashioned made with Old Soul bourbon, and live music from Flow Tribe and None Nu and the Wild Matous. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 now and \$30 at the door. The event is a collab between Alligator Mike Productions and Good Earth Records and is sponsored by Old Soul bourbon. Learn more at www.100menhall.com or by emailing 100menhall@gmail.com.

Disclaimer:

Events featured on the calendar page are printed at no charge and space permitting. Submissions are limited to community, educational, churches and non-profit organizations. Please submit your calendar entries electronically — to cassandra@seacoast-echo.com.

Hancock County Tax Assessor / Collector

Homestead Exemption Applications Accepted

Homestead exemption applications will be accepted from **January 3, 2025 through March 31, 2025**, office located at 854 Highway 90 Suite C., Applications must be filed in the Bay St. Louis office of Hancock County Tax Assessor between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. You must be living in your home on or before **January 1, 2025** to qualify for homestead exemption. The property must be your primary residence in order to qualify.

The following information is needed to file your application.

- A) Warranty deed
- B) Cost of property
- C) Down payment amount
- D) License plate numbers for vehicles registered in Hancock County. **(All vehicles owned must be registered in Hancock County.)**
- E) If you are age 65 or older, proof of age is required
- F) If you are receiving 100% disability benefits, proof of your disability is required
- G) Is any part of the property rented
- H) Must have MS Driver’s License and Social Security Number

You must refile your homestead exemption application if, on or before January 1, 2025 any of the following occurred

- A) You became over 65 on or before January 1, 2025
- B) You became 100% disabled service Connected veteran on or before January 1, 2025
- C) You acquired a new residence
- D) You acquired additional property that adjoins your homestead
- E) Your marital status changed (divorced, widowed, separated, etc.)

If you have any questions please call

228-467-5727

Jimmie Ladner, Jr.

Tax Assessor/Collector Hancock County

Ribbon cutting



Photo courtesy of the Hancock Chamber
The Hancock Chamber hosted a ribbon cutting for Girly Gail Boutique on Nov. 18th. Girly Gail is owned by Brittany McGee and carries a variety of women’s clothing from size XS - 3X as well as gifts and accessories. Brittany is also a licensed cosmetologist and offers lash extensions. Girly Gail is located in the Magnolia Marketplace Shopping Center at 407 Highway 90 in Waveland next door to Enterprise Car Rental. They are open 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Thursday and 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

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or sponsoring a wreath for Waveland Cemetery, are invited to visit www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org/MSWAVE to learn more. National Wreaths Across America Day is a free community event open to all people.

About Wreaths Across America
Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester in 1992.

The organization’s yearlong mission – Remember, Honor, Teach – is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as at thousands of veterans’ cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond.

All Wreaths Across America Day events are, non-political/religious events, open to all people. For more information, to donate or to sign up to volunteer, please visit www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org/MSWAVE

• **NASA**
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ous year’s total of more than 74,000. ACCP trained 1,454 facilitators during Educator Professional Development sessions as well, representing an increase of 25.3% from the prior year.

Taken together, the total NASA ACCP impact exceeded a quarter of a million (257,765) people.

As part of the NASA Science Mission Directorate

Science Activation program, ACCP continues to make strides in bridging disparities and breaking barriers in STEM. Demographically, the initiative reached a range of ethnic and multiethnic groups. One-third of participants were African American, with another 13% identified as Hispanic. Participants were almost equally divided between male (52%) and female (48%).

In terms of age, 38% of participants were elementary school students. Another 30% were middle school aged, with the remaining 38% high school

students. In a final breakdown, more than 42,000 of the participants were impacted during 52 NASA ACCP solar eclipse events in the spring of 2024.

ACCP activities offer real-world opportunities for students to enhance scientific understanding and contribute to NASA science missions, while also inspiring lifelong learning. The ACCP theme was “NASA Science ... Fire to Water to Ice and Beyond!” The program featured materials and activities related to NASA science missions, astrophysics, heliophysics, Earth

science, and planetary science.

The unique methodology teaches students to work collaboratively to complete missions and provides trained community educators to implement the themed NASA modules, developed by the ACCP team, seated at NASA’s Stennis Space Center near Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

ASTRO CAMP began at NASA Stennis as a single one-week camp in the 1990s. Since then, it has developed into several adaptable models for schools, museums, universities, libraries, and youth ser-

vice organizations, enabling a worldwide expansion.

For more information about becoming a NASA ASTRO CAMP Collaborative Community Partner, contact: Kelly Martin-Rivers at kelly.e.martin-rivers@nasa.gov or 228-688-1500; or Maria Lott at maria.l.lott@nasa.gov or 228-688-1776.

For more on the ASTRO CAMP Collaborative Community Partner Program, visit: <https://www.nasa.gov/stennis/stem-engagement-at-stennis/nasa-accp/>.

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Diamondhead Lions Club hosts annual holiday nut sales

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Dozens of 1 lb bags and many 1 lb and 26 Oz decorative Tins!

Featured Products:

1 lb bags of: Giant Cashews, Mixed Premium Nut Mix (No Peanuts), Fancy Mammoth Pecan Halves, Sweet and Salty Trail Mix, and Spicy Party Mix.

1 lb Tins of: Giant Cashews, and Deluxe Premium Nut Mix.

26 Oz Tins of: Cherry Fall Harvest Mix, Gourmet Deluxe Mix, and Cashew Pecan Medley.

9 Oz Boxes of: Milk Chocolate Pecan Clusters, Dark Chocolate Sea Salt Caramels, and other Confections.

You can feel better about your snacking when you know you’re eating premium gourmet products, and that a portion of every product you buy benefits the Diamondhead Lions Club charity efforts.

Easy way to buy: Go

to our website at: Diamondhead-Lions.terri-lynn.com

Note: Free shipping of all orders of \$30.00 or more to the same site.

Are you looking for a way to contribute time and effort to serve the local community and around the world, without leaving home or quitting your job? Join with 1.5 million others of Lions Clubs International and the Diamondhead Lions Club! Our slogan is “We Serve”.

Learn more about the Lions Club – come to a meeting to hear about our plans for the rest of this year. Be our guest at our next Club meeting on December 20, at 11:30 AM in the Diamondhead Country Club. Future meetings are on the 3rd Friday of each month. Contact Lion Dwain Simpson at 228-363-2557 or dwain-simpson@aol.com for more information.



Hancock Chamber awards \$6,700 to local teachers for classroom grants



Photo courtesy of the Hancock Chamber

The Hancock Chamber Education Committee announced the recipients of its annual classroom grant program at the 2024 Teacher Appreciation Dinner. The classroom grant program started in 2009. It has awarded 87 grants totaling \$80,797 including this year’s cohort. The 2024 recipients include: Georganne Kinney, Hancock Middle School - Motivational Stickers Production Project; Lacey Vitalec, Hancock High School - Egg-stravaganza Learning Opportunities; Lisa Curry, Holy Trinity Catholic School - The History & Mystery of Clay; Laurinda Lee, West Hancock Elementary - The History & Mystery of Clay; Lauren Barnard, Bay High School - The History & Mystery of Clay; Jennifer Roth, North Bay Elementary - The History & Mystery of Clay; Heather Sours, West Hancock Elementary - Planting the Future: Integrating Science and Life Skills; Ann Tuennerman, Hancock Middle School - Present and Proud; Katrina Stillwell, Hancock North Central Elementary - Measurement Mania; Soni Buras, Hancock North Central Elementary - “Get with the Times” Current Events; Elisabeth Bosarge, North Bay Elementary - Sustainability for the Future; Erica Council, North Bay Elementary - VEX 123 Robotics; Jillian Strong, Hancock High School - Forensic Science - The Power of DNA; and Elizabeth Grafe, Hancock High School - Hancock High School Chess Club

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